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The daily prize in The Times *Portfolio* competition - doubled to £4,000 because there was no competition on Saturday - was shared by three readers, Mr Vincent Flint, of Gosport, Hants, Mrs Sheila Durban, of Herne Bay, Kent, and Mr Dan Watkins, of Aylesbury, Bucks. Portfolio list, page 20; how to play, information service, back page.

Kissinger pulls out of race

Dr Henry Kissinger, the former US Secretary of State, has decided not to challenge Mr Mario Cuomo for the governorship of New York State in November, Republican party leaders said.

Hire purchase hits record

Hire purchase rose to record levels before Christmas, despite flat retail sales. At the end of December, £19.5 billion of consumer credit was outstanding. Page 17

Soldier killed

John Barly, aged 22, a soldier in the Ulster Defence Regiment, died yesterday in a bomb blast near Belcoo, close to the border with the Irish Republic.



Westland plea

Westland, the ailing helicopter company, is urging its shareholders not to sell their shares to the European consortium which is offering 130p in an effort to defeat Sikorsky-Fiat.

Uganda push

The National Resistance Army of President Museveni of Uganda claimed control of all but northern Uganda after capturing the main north-eastern city of Mbale.

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Manila toll

At least 82 people have died in guerrilla violence in the Philippines in the last two weeks of campaigning for Friday's presidential elections, the military said Reports, page 7

Boxers appeal

Two former British world champions, John Conteh and Maurice Hope, have appealed to Frank Bruno not to go ahead with his bout against Gerrie Coetzee of South Africa Page 26

Show success

The National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham has established itself as Britain's largest exhibition location. A Special Report looks at how it has become a profit-maker Pages 24-25

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Rise in base rate feared as oil and sterling slide

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The pound was marked down sharply on foreign exchange markets yesterday, renewing City fears that the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, will be forced to concede a damaging rise in bank base rates.

The fall came as world oil prices resumed their downward spiral in the wake of clear indications from Saudi Arabia that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries is unlikely to produce a formula to bring about oil market stability.

In London, traders were quoting the key Brent North Sea crude at below $17 a barrel, a level last seen in the first half of 1979. Prices for heavy fuel oil for use in power stations were less than half those paid by the Central Electricity Generating Board during the miners' strike.

In the middle of this oil price weakness, the political pressure on Mr Lawson to keep interest rates from rising has increased following the publication in the last few days of record unemployment figures and a gloomy industrial trends survey from the Confederation of British Industry.

With a special committee of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting in Vienna to discuss market share, oil price uncertainties were again the main factor hitting the pound.

It opened in London two cents down on Friday's closing levels, with the sterling index 1.3 points lower at 73.3. Later, in response to a firming of money market interest rates in London, the pound steadied slightly, the sterling index closing at 73.5, still 1.1 points down on the previous close.

Against the dollar, the pound lost 2.2 cents to $1.3865. Money market interest rates firmed by around a quarter of a point, to a level consistent with a half point rise in bank base rates.

City economists believe that the Chancellor will try to avoid a base rate increase but that the period of greatest financial pressure will be in the next few days. Today, figures will be published for Britain's official gold and foreign currency reserves at the end of January. If they have fallen sharply, it will indicate that the Bank of England has been trying to prop up the pound unsuccessfully by intervening in the foreign exchange markets.

Also due today are money supply figures for last month. These are expected to show that bank lending is increasing very sharply, possibly by as much as £3 billion in the January banking month.

The last rise in base rates, three weeks ago, was triggered off by news of a £2 billion bank lending increase in the December banking month.

On the oil spot markets, two large cargoes of North Sea crude changed hands at $S16.82 a barrel. April deliveries are being forecast at $16.70 a barrel.

Heavy fuel oil is now being priced at $96 a tonne. At below $102 a tonne it undercuts coal prices.

The latest fall comes as Opec's special committee formed to find ways of defending market share meets in Vienna, with Sheik Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi oil minister and Opec's most dominant member, saying that there now seems to be little chance of non-Opec oil producers such as Britain co-operating to find ways of cutting back on world oil output, and equally little chance of Opec finding a solution on its own.

A leading oil analyst said last night: "Sheik Yamani is signalling a fall in prices to $15. He holds the key to when the fall will stop".

The drop in oil prices has eaten into the Chancellor's freedom to cut taxes in the Budget on March 18. Indeed, some City economists are saying that if oil prices do not recover from yesterday's levels, Mr Lawson could be forced to raise overall taxation if he is to stay within his medium term financial strategy.

Americans near to BL takeover

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

State-owned British Leyland could end up almost completely in American hands, General Motors is close to a deal over the future of the truck operation and itsleading American rival, Ford, is in the running to take over the Austin Rover car division.

To a storm of opposition protest,Mr Paul Channon,the new Secretary of State for Trade and Industry,told the Commons that talks between BL and General Motors covering Leyland Trucks, Land Rover and other operations were "at an advanced stage".

Talks with other car manufacturers, some wide-ranging but at an exploratory stage,were in progress but it was too early to say whether they would lead to an equity stake, acquisition or merger, he added. Government officials confirmed that Ford is involved.

The negotiations with General Motors which have been going on for several months, but which the Government says it has not revealed for commercial reasons, were confirmed in response to Labour demands for a statement on the future of British Leyland.

Mr Channon told MPs the aim was to create "an internationally competitive United Kingdom commercial vehicle industry".

Discussions about the future of the Leyland bus division are proceeding with the Laird group, the London based engineering company, he said.

Mr Channon said that no decisions had been reached but were a deal to be done with General Motors, it would be willing to give "full undertakings" that most vehicles sold by the business involved would be manufactured in the United Kingdom; the products would continue to have a high "local content"; there would be a substantial level of exports; research and development facilities would be maintained and developed in the United Kingdom; and an appropriate level of investment would be injected to achieve competitive future models and facilities.

If the talks succeeded, the Government aimed to make sure that jobs and the future of Land Rover and the other companies involved would be more secure and not less.

The proposed sale was condemned in the Commons by Labour MPs.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, Labour MP for Workington, said it was another example of "dropping the Union Jack and raising the Stars and Stripes over British industry", while Mr Patrick Cormack, Conservative MP for South Staffordshire, in a passing reference to the Westland affair, inquired whether there might not be a "European solution."

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Murdoch issues new Sogat writ

By John Young

News International yesterday issued a writ against the print union Sogat '82 seeking injunctions and damages in relation to the non-production of the *News of the World* at the Express Newspapers plant in Manchester last Saturday night.

The writ claims damages for "blacking" action by staff at the plant, where the newspaper is printed under contract.

The company is also seeking injunctions to prevent a repetition of the action which has stopped production in Manchester for the past two weekends.

It has already obtained an injunction requiring Sogat to lift an instruction to its members at wholesale depots, calling on them to black papers from its new plant at Wapping, east London.

It has also won injunctions against the National Graphical Association over the blacking of work on *The Times* supplements, and against the Transport and General Workers' Union over instructions to lorry drivers not to cross picket lines.

Yesterday,Mr Murdoch disclaimed responsibility for job losses arising from the strike by print workers over the company's move to its new plants in Wapping and in Glasgow.

"When people walk out on

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Baby Doc takes to the streets

Port-au-Prince, Haiti - In a dramatic display of confidence, President Jean-Claude Duvalier yesterday made a whirlwind tour of streets in Port-au-Prince, the capital (Trevor Fishlock writes).

The President was in a motorcade of vehicles accompanied by heavily armed bodyguards, some of them wearing T-shirts emblazoned with a heart bearing his name.

During the tour the President, who appeared to be relaxed, told a reporter his Government was in control of the situation in troubled Haiti.

There are varying reports about the number of people killed since the present troubles began last week. Some doctors question the official figure of 16, saying it is at least three times that number.

But in the present circumstances it is impossible to verify casualty reports and at best they can only be estimates.

The Government has told reporters to stay in the capital. Some who have tried to reach the interior have been stopped and turned back by the Army or militia.

Fever of freedom, back page



Mr Anatoly Shcharansky: Bonn Government sources say privately that his release is now imminent

Soviet dissident set for release in big spy swap

By Our Foreign Staff

The biggest East-West spy swap since the Second World War, involving the jailed Soviet dissident Mr Anatoly Shcharansky, is being arranged by the United States, the Soviet Union and East and West Germany, sources in the US and West Germany said yesterday.

Reports of the swap had been carried by the West German newspaper, *Bild*, which said that the deal would involve 12 Western agents held in the Soviet bloc being exchanged for an unspecified number of communists.

Soviet officials in Moscow refused to comment on the reports, and spokesmen for the US and leading West European embassies there said they knew nothing of an exchange. But US sources confirmed that a major swap was imminent and said it was to take place in West Berlin on February 11.

In Bonn, West German Government sources said privately that the exchange would go ahead soon, and that the only question now was the date.

A family spokesman in Jerusalem said that Mr Shcharansky's wife is sceptical of the reports. Mr Avi Maoz, a leader of the Israeli Association for the Release of Anatoly Shcharansky, said that Mrs Avital Shcharansky, aged 35, had left her Jerusalem flat to avoid publicity surrounding the deal.

In Washington, Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, said that he had no comment on the deal or on Mr Shcharansky's release, but said: "There is no subject that we have worked on harder or that I think makes more difference to people in the West... than release of dissidents in the Soviet Union..."

Mr Shcharansky, aged 37, was sentenced to 13 years in prison and labour camps in 1978 on charges of spying.

Bild, which cited "high Soviet sources" in its report, said the swap would be the biggest since the Second World War and would take place on the border between West Berlin and East Germany.

The report in *Bild* was capable of raising such expectations because the paper has in the past been clearly used by the Soviet Union for leaks. It has twice printed video pictures of Dr Andrei Sakharov taken in his exile in Gorky.

If East Berlin is the site of the exchange, it is expected that it will take place in the middle of the Glienicker Bridge, which links West Berlin to East German territory, and has often been chosen for exchanges, including that of the U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers for the Russian spy Rudolf Abel.

Western diplomats in Bonn said they attached credence to *Bild's* report that Moscow had refused to include Dr Sakharov in the proposed exchange.In Boston,the news of the swap was said not have given Mrs Yelena Bonner hope that Dr Sakharov, her husband, would be released.

Four Russians thrown out by France as spies

France has expelled four Russian diplomats from Paris following the arrest 12 days ago of a retired French Air Force officer charged with spying for the Soviet Union, the French Foreign Ministry confirmed yesterday (Diana Geddes writes).

The diplomats, all of whom are said to be members of the GRU, the Red Army's intelligence service, have flown back to Moscow.

The Soviet Embassy in Paris protested last night at "the manifestly unfriendly and provocative character" of the French action.

It is the biggest French counter-espionage coup since the expulsion from France of 47 alleged Soviet spies in March 1983.

The information leading to the latest arrests is believed to have been provided by M Bernard Sourisseaux, a retired NCO who was charged in Rennes last week with passing secrets of the movement of French nuclear submarines to a KGB officer based in Paris.

Safety checks ordered on 747s

From Michael Binyon
Washington

The Federal Aviation Authority has ordered all US airlines to carry out immediate checks on their Boeing 747 jumbo jets after cracks were found in the frames of four of them. At least 200 planes are affected.

The directive was issued at the weekend after the discovery of the cracks in planes belonging to Pan American, Trans World Airlines and British Airways. The cracks were in the forward part of the plane, near the line of windows beneath the cockpit. The FAA said that one found in the Pan American plane was "rather severe".

Planes with between 10,000 and 14,000 landings must submit to visual inspections within the next 50 landings. Those that have flown more must do so within the next 25 landings. In addition all planes must have regular inspections after every 60 landings until the cause of the cracks has been determined.

Two 747s were involved in big accidents last year - the Japan Air Lines crash in August that killed 520 people, and the Air-India crash in June off the coast of Ireland in which 329 people died. The JAL disaster occurred when the plane struck a mountain in Japan. A bomb blast is suspected in the Air-India tragedy.Officials said that neither of the two plane crashes appears to have anything to do with cracks.

● LONDON: The crack found in a British Airways 747 last week during routine maintenance was in the forward passenger cabin which was unheard of since BA started flying jumbos in 1970.

BA immediately reported the defect to Boeing, which issued an informal airworthiness directive. BA has since checked all its 747s at risk - 18 of a fleet of 30.

"The defect was only found in one of our 747s and that has been repaired," a spokesman for BA said last night. There would be no delays on jumbo flights."

Lawyers threaten action on fees

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

Leaders of the Bar yesterday put forward to all barristers retaliatory measures almost tantamount to industrial action in the face of the Government's refusal to negotiate on higher fees for criminal legal aid work.

The proposals expected to be endorsed at an extraordinary general meeting of the Bar on Saturday, came after the Government's consistent refusal to respond to the Bar's claim for pay rises of 30-40 per cent.

In a letter yesterday to all barristers in England and Wales, Bar leaders proposed authorizing barristers to refuse to undertake any prosecution work.

Yesterday Mr Robert Alexander QC, chairman of the Bar, said: "The Government's response so far has been almost insulting to the profession."

The Bar had agreed with the Government that negotiations should be completed by the end of last month and the Bar's advisers, the management consultants Coopers & Lybrand, had been willing to discuss any criticisms of their report on which the pay claim is based, he said.

"The Government has declined to discuss the report, made no attempt to negotiate and made no offer."

At the extraordinary general meeting leaders of the Bar are proposing two resolutions for debate: first, that the Bar deplores the failure of the Government to negotiate over Crown prosecution fees and legal aid fees.

Second, that the Bar endorses proposals from its executive body, the Bar Committee, namely: that it would be authorized to take such action as deemed appropriate to influence the Government in the negotiations and that until an acceptable fee structure is agreed, members of the Bar should "execute their right to require that the fee for all Crown prosecutions service briefs to be agreed before acceptance of that brief."

Booster rocket blamed

Washington - Nasa experts were examining yesterday growing evidence that a faulty booster rocket caused the shuttle disaster and officials suggested flights could resume in June (Michael Binyon writes).

Mr William Graham, acting Nasa administrator, has said the rocket boosters were considered so reliable they had no sensors to detect flame that burnt through one side. Film shows hot gases or flames were spewing from the right-hand booster 14 seconds before the explosion.

Mr Graham said that, if the shuttle commander or pilot had known this, they might have been able to separate from the boosters and glide back to Earth. But other experts said the crews had never trained for such a difficult manoeuvre.

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Museum stands by admission charge policy

By David Hewson
Arts Correspondent

The Victoria and Albert Museum is to maintain its policy of charging a voluntary admission fee in spite of the virtual halving of attendances in the three months since it was introduced.

Visitors to the museum fell by 20 per cent in November, 47.8 per cent in December, and 38.7 per cent in January.

Privately officials believe that publicity about the charge and picketing by trade unions may be responsible for much of the drop.

The V & A has refused to make public how much has been raised by the charge, but trade union sources say that only foreign visitors are willing to pay the £2 requested at the entrance. Most domestic visitors pay nothing or a proportion of the sum.

According to the civil service trade unions, who have opposed the charge since it was first mooted, the scheme has been a "total flop".

A V&A spokesman said the admission figures were explained by the absence of major exhibitions at the museum during the three months.

The museum would carry out market research in the spring to ascertain the impact of the charges on visitors, but there would be no early re-examination of the policy.

"We have had very few complaints about the way things are organized within the museum," the spokesman said. "When the scheme was first announced the trustees said that they would like it to run for a couple of years before they felt they could judge it."

● The National Art Collection Fund, the principal charity helping museums and galleries to purchase works of art, has received its biggest bequest ever: more than £1 million in the will of a Dorset spinster who died last year aged 95 (Robin Young writes).

Miss Aileen Woodroffe of Witchampton near Wimbourne, who is described as having been a long-standing and enthusiastic supporter of the fund, left £1,075,947 net (£1,092,933 gross), and after personal bequests of £31,500 the balance was bequeathed to the fund.

The legacy has excited speculation that it might yet be possible to save the Bernini sculpture of Archbishop del Pozzo for the nation. Last week the V&A announced that it could not raise the £3 million required to purchase the piece, despite a grant from the NACF of £250,000.

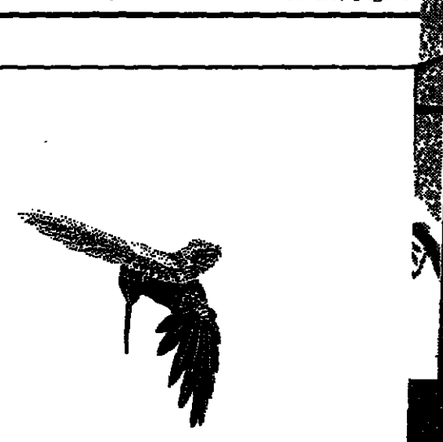
The sculpture, at present in the collection at Castle Howard, Yorkshire, is estimated to be worth £10 million at auction.

One condition which Miss Woodroffe attached to her bequest is that none of the money must be used to buy contemporary art. Mr George Henrington, the fund's administrator, said: "We will follow the terms of the will to the letter."

Apart from the offer to assist in the purchase of the Bernini, the fund has also offered a £250,000 grant towards the £765,000 needed for the Tintoretto painting, "Christ washing the feet of the disciples", on sale from St Nicholas Cathedral, Newcastle.

The Lang Gallery in Newcastle is interested in buying the picture.

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MPs draft £3.3bn package to help long-term jobless

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

A radical £3.3 billion package of measures to tackle long-term unemployment, including a specific job guarantee, will be unveiled today by the Commons Select Committee on Employment.

The MPs' proposals, contained in a unanimous report, come only days after the announcement of Britain's worst jobless figures. Of those out of work, 1,500,000 have been unemployed for more than a year and count as long-term unemployed.

In a three-pronged attack aimed at achieving a job guarantee for such people, the committee recommends:

●A new building improvement scheme to provide 300,000 extra year-long jobs.

●The employment of 100,000 in the social services and the National Health Service.

●The introduction of a subsidy to private employers to take on 350,000 long-term unemployed in addition to existing employees.

The all-party committee also looked at the alternatives of tax cuts and increased public expenditure in dealing withhigh unemployment, but it concluded that special employment measures were the "best buy" for the Government.

In particular the new measures are intended to lower the jobless figures in the short term in a cost-effective way, while other policies take effect and help them eventually to find permanent jobs.

The MPs envisage their proposals could be put into effect over three years and provide 750,000 extra places. The scheme should be run by the Manpower Services Commission, they say.

The proposed building improvement programme, which is similar to suggestions made by the Confederation of British Industry,would provide a wage of up to £105 a week. The MPs noted that many of the areas of highest long-term unemployment are also the most physically derelict.

It is estimated the new building jobs would cost between £4,000 and £5,000 a head.

With health and personal social services being labour intensive, the MPs recommend 50,000 long-term unemployed could be found work in each sector. Recruits would be given a normal employment contract for one year and be paid at an average rate of £120 a week.

Lastly the committee suggests a subsidy of £40 a week to private sector employers who take on long-term unemployed. For £1.4 billion about 350,000 new jobs would be created, at a cost per job of £4,000.

The launch of today's report is likely to be clouded by the refusal of Mr Ron Leighton, the Labour chairman, to answer questions from News International journalists, as he is sponsored by the print union, Sogat '82.

●Fifteen hundred jobs at the Kent coalfield's three threatened pits could be savedbecause of a plan put to the unions yesterday (the Press Association reports).

The scheme lifted the closure threat over Tilmanstone colliery, after a significant rise in production figures.

In December the National Coal Board announced that another pit, Betteshanger, had been reprieved .Now the board wants talks to extend the life of the third pit, Snowdown.

Counting the legal cost of divorce

Divorced couples were warned by two Court of Appeal judges yesterday of the dangers of amassing a large legal aid bill by arguing in the courts over who should get what from the proceeds of a broken marriage.

The court was told the Legal Aid Fund has a prior claim on family assets and, at the end of the day, that can seriously deplete available funds.

The warning came from Lord Justice Purchas and Mrs Justice Butler-Sloss in a divorce case estimated to have incurred legal costs of about £23,000.

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The divorced couple, who both received legal aid for their courtroom conflict, will have to reimburse the Legal Aid Fund, leaving them with less than half of the £43,000 in assets available at the time of the marriage break-up.

Lord Justice Purchas said the case was typical of many in which already-modest family assets were "seriously depleted" by the cost of litigation.

"It is imperative that litigants who receive assistance under the legal aid scheme should fully understand the danger of this when deciding to pursue contentious matters", the judge said.

The judges upheld an earlier court ruling that Mr Keith Mason, a joinery manufacturer, of New Yatt Road, North Leigh, Witney, Oxfordshire, should pay his former wife, Jacqueline, of Woodside, North Leigh, an end-of-marriage settlement of £27,000.

They ruled that if Mr Mason cannot raise the money within six months, his house, the former matrimonial home valued at £53,000, should be sold to raise the money.

Settlement of the mortgage loan will leave about £43,000. But before the couple receive any money themselves, legal costs of £12,550 for Mrs Mason and £10,400 for Mr Mason will have to be paid.

Lord Justice Purchas said the judge who originally heard the case had commented that, if the parties had settled their differences, the sale of the house would have provided sufficient cash to comfortably rehouse both.



Mr Fox-Andrews half way to the top of the cathedral dome

Judicial steeplejack takes a look

A High Court referee scaled one of Britain's most distinctive cathedrals yesterday to inspect it.

MrJames Fox-Andrews, QC, is presiding over a dispute between the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Liverpool and the architects and engineers of the city's Metropolitan Cathedral.

The archdiocesan trustees have accused the architects, Frederick Gibberd and Partners, and the engineers Lowe and Rodin, of negligence,alleging structural faults.Negligence is denied.

Yesterday Mr Fox-Andrews put on tennis shoes and an anorak to climb the 290ft cathedral.He picked his way nimbly along a 70ft-high platform which surrounds the dome, followed gingerly by barristers, solicitors and expert witnesses, and climbed to the base of the tower, about 200 feet up.

MrFox-Andrews returns today to see the interior. The hearing resumes tomorrow.

Murdoch issues new writ to Sogat

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you again and again and again, and you have got a £100 million investment in a company that your life's riding on, you've got to make plans," he said. "You can't go on waiting for people who say they're going to set a bomb off."

Mr Murdoch was speaking on TV-am breakfast television after claiming that a record 4,615,000 copies of *The Sun* had been printed and distributed. He emphasized again that there would be no deal with the 5,000 dismissed print workers, and agreed that for about three or four months preceding the strike he had been building up a "parallel workforce".

Of the strikers he said: "We did what we felt we had to do. We didn't fire them - they fired us. They thought that they could bring us to our knees, as they had done every year for 16 years."

Despite a shortfall of about 30,000 copies in production of *The Times*, due to technical problems, News International refuted suggestions by the print unions that the company was beset with breakdowns.

Sogat officials claimed that there had been shortfalls in production at the Wapping plant, with press breakdowns and deteriorating working conditions.

But company officials said it was nousense to suggest that production staff had been forced to clamber over the machinery to repair paper breaks.

Tower Hamlets council said yesterday that the Wapping plant could be shut down unless News International took steps to reduce night-time noise, which has annoyed residents near by.

"The last thing we want to do is to put a company out of business or stop its production," a council spokesman said. "But we have been speaking to News International about this since early December last year, to no avail."

Its action in serving an enforcement notice requiring action to be taken by February 27 was "not political".

● In an obvious reference to the Wapping dispute, Lord Murray, former general secretary of the TUC, said that talk of "no strike" deals was misleading.

He told a meeting in London, organized by the Royal Society of Arts, that in his view there could be no question of denying to any group of people the right not to work for an employer except on terms and conditions that had been mutually agreed.

Survey for the Briton on holiday

By Derek Harris

Most complaints about package holidays concern hotels but 94 per cent of British holidaymakers last year were prepared to recommend their hotel to family or friends..

Those findings emerged from a survey by Lunn Poly, the travel agency chain which is part of Thomson Travel.

Holidaymakers were particularly concerned about food, the location, and whether the hotel staff were friendly and helpful. Britons preferred self-service meals and disliked sharing tables with strangers.

They also objected to dining room queues, the high cost of drinks in hotel bars, having to pay for hotel sunloungers , and did not favour entertainment that lasted beyond midnight in an hotel's public rooms.

The best hotels in the eyes of holidaymakers were not necessarily the high class ones or the most expensive, according to Mr John MacNeill, Lunn Poly's managing director.

He said that some of the most highly rated hotels were in the budget category.

The study was made for the company'slatest free *Guide to Good Hotels*.

M25 progress

The section of the M25 from Swanley to Sevenoaks will open on Wednesday February 19, completing the southern ring around London and linking Heathrow and Gatwick airports to the Dartford Tunnel. The final section of the motorway, in Hertfordshire, will open in November.

No prosecution in police assault

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Metropolitan Police officers who assaulted five youths, two of whom needed hospital treatment, will not be prosecuted or disciplined.

Describing the attack by unidentified officers as "disgraceful", the Police Complaints Authority said yesterday: "Despite the most thorough investigation, it has not been possible to establish to the required standard of proof which of three Transit vans conveying officers in the area at the time was involved".

Because of the lack of proof of identity the Director of Public Prosecutions did not consider that criminal proceedings could be taken. Mr Peter Imbert, the deputy commissioner, said that for the same reason he did not propose to bring disciplinary charges.

At the authority's request, the officers on duty in all three vans in the area at the time, apart from two who have retired, were paraded before Mr Bob Innes, the deputy assistant commissioner.

The complaints authority said:"They were told in no uncertain terms of the anger and disquiet felt about the incident. They were told that although officers in only one of the vans were involved, all the officers in that van must have known what happened and both the public and the Metropolitan Police regard such actions as outrageous".

Also at the suggestion of the complaints authority, the police have agreed to clearly mark about 570 vehicles, including all Transit vans, for ready identification.

Two brothers, Baltimore and Eric Ranger, aged 16 and 17, who claimed they were beaten by between 10 and 12 uniformed police officers in the Holloway Road area of London in April 1983, received £4,000 in an out-of-court settlement last April.

£21m more to protect 9,000 poly places

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspondent

The Government is expected to announce today that it may give an extra £21 million to the polytechnics to protect 9,000 student places which might otherwise have been lost.

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is writing to the National Advisory Body, which supervises public sector higher education, to say it can expect a 3.5 per cent increase in its funding for 1987-88.

That should give the polytechnics half of the extra £42 million which they say they need in 1987-88, a possible election year, to avoid losing 18,000 student places.

Mr John Bevan, secretary of the body, said that the extra money was not yet guaranteed.

Deaf mute freed by tribunal

A man who is a deaf mute is to be released after a campaign to save him from indefinite detention in hospital for allegedly stealing £5 and three light bulbs.

Glenn Pearson, aged 33, spent a week in Lincoln prison before Christmas and was transferred to a hospital for the mentally handicapped after he was found unfit to plead.

Yesterday a mental health tribunal decided that he should be freed

Under the law, the judge was forced to send him to a secure hospital indefinitely after the jury found him unfit to plead because he could not understand the court proceedings.

He was sent to jail because a place could not immediately be found but a judge later ordered that he be sent to a hospital for the mentally handicapped.

Protective wear for riot police

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Police units facing rioting mobs may in future wear special padding over their limbs and face-guards similar to those used by cricketers after an internal Scotland Yard analysis of the Tottenham riot last October.

The report, based on interviews with 400 officers at the riot, suggests the Yard might also consider improvements in its riot training so that officers have a strategy for dealing with complex urban estates like the Broadwater Farm Estate where the riot broke out.

Most present training envisages handling mobs out in open streets and not on walkways or the pedestrian areas of tower blocks.

The report of more than 300 pages was prepared by Chief Supt David Williams, who worked alongside an observer from the Police Federation. The report partly sprang from strong criticism of police strategy at the riot by junior ranks in the aftermath of a disorder which left one constable dead and another 232 injured.

Yesterday Mr Williams said the finished report was on its way to Sir Kenneth Newman, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. It would be presented by the Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Mr Michael Richards.

The report made a number of general recommendations and suggested areas where evidence showed police planners should review strategy or equipment, Mr Williams said.

An examination of the number of police attacked with machettes or knives showed that chin or cheek guards may be needed in future. The Nato helmet used by police for riot protection was adequate but the neck and face were still exposed.

Inquest delay

An inquest on the 13 victims of the M6 pile-up last October was further adjourned yesterday after the Director of Public Prosecutions' decision to press charges of causing death by reckless driving against the coach driver involved.

Unionists threaten boycott

Official Unionist MPs will withdraw from Westminster and return to Northern Ireland if the Prime Minister insists on going ahead with implementation of the Anglo-Irish agreement.

The protest action will begin if, at a meeting the two Unionist Party leaders have with Mrs Margaret Thatcher, she refuses, as is expected, to scrap the deal signed last year.

Mr James Molyneaux, leader of the official Unionist Party, ended doubt about his party's position on a Commons boycott when he said yesterday: "If she continues to implement the agreement we would not be taking part in the general sense."

Flanked by Mr Harold McCusker, official Unionist MP for Upper Bann, who has already withdrawn from Westminister, Mr Molyneaux said if the Government went ahead with the agreement, which gives Dublin a consultative role in the affairs of the province, "elected representatives become nothing more than a veneer".

Speculation on foreign control of vehicle makers

Morale crumbles in British car firms

By Clifford Webb
Motoring Correspondent

Months of speculation and rumour suggesting that BL's commercial vehicle operations are being sold to General Motors of America and that Honda Japan is about to buy a stake in Austin Rover cars are seriously undermining morale in both companies.

A Leyland trucks executive said yesterday: "The talks with GM have been dragging on for so long that people here are beginning to have doubts about their future yet again. We urgently need an announcement to put an end to this damaging speculation."

Austin Rover's worries are even longer standing. Since January 1985 when Honda bought a 330-acre site at Swindon there have been persistent reports that the Government was encouraging Honda to acquire control of its state-owned car maker.

These reports intensified a few months later when leaks, allegedly from the Prime Minister's office, raised doubts about Austin Rover's ability to survive without relinquishing large parts of its business to Honda.

Swindon is being developed as a Honda distribution and parts centre and rumours persist that it will eventually become a manufacturing plant.

In Tokyo yesterday Honda again denied that it had any plans to acquire all or part of Austin Rover.

A view being increasingly voiced at all levels in Austin Rover is that it has become an embarrassment to the Government,which is pledged to privatize it during the present Parliament. The is not returning to profits fast enough to be sold on the open market like Jaguar, nor is it making such a hash of things that the Government has an excuse to close it down.

Seen against that background a takeover by Honda or even a substantial shareholding would seem to offer a way out.

Land Rover/Leyland, the commercial vehicle side, has been losing money for years. But more recently there have been some encouraging signs.

Leyland looks attractive to GM for two reasons. In recent years it has launched a complete new range of trucks at a cost to the taxpayer of £350 million. This contrasts with the out-dated range of trucks sold by Bedford, GM's European trucks subsidiary.

Leyland has also recently modernized its factory near Preston but it still has considerable spare capacity. This would enable GM to switch truck production from Luton to Preston allowing Luton to concentrate on van production including vans based on designs by Isusu and Suzuki in which GM already has holdings.

There is little doubt that GM has been stung into talks with BL because it recently lost third place in the British truck market to Daimler Benz, of West Germany. A combined Leyland-Bedford range, backed by the financial resources of the largest motor manufacturer in the world, would make a formidable contender even for Daimler Benz.

Land Rover is in the final stages of a three-year reorganization.

Liverpool rates appeal begins in High Court

The 48 Liverpool councillors facing dismissal over the £106,000 bill for lost rates because of their alleged "wilful misconduct" launched their appeal for survival in the High Court yesterday.

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC, for the councillors, told Lord Justice Glidewell, sitting with Mr Justice Caulfield and Mr Justice Russell in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court that the councillors had used their "honest efforts" to secure the three Es: economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources.

He said that Parliament could not have intended that to mean wilful misconduct.

Mr Derek Hatton, Liverpool's deputy leader, was in court as the appeal began against the decision of the District Auditor to make the 48 personally responsible for the shortfall caused by the delay in setting a rate..

Last week the judges reserved judgement in a similar appeal by 32 rebel Lambeth Labour councillors, said to owe more than £126,000.

Judgement in both cases will be given after the Liverpool case.

Among those in court to support the councillors were Mr Eric Heffer, Labour MP for Liverpool, Walton, and Mr Tony Mulhearn, the District Labour Party president..

Laity outside Church 'must not be ignored'

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

Those outside the institutionally-minded or church-going community should not have their views excluded from the inner deliberations of the Church, the Archbishop of York, Dr John Habgood, said yesterday.

Addressing the centenary meeting of the the House of Laity of the General Synod of the Church of England, Dr Habgood said they should not forget the "world-orientated Christians" who may simply be too busy to involve themselves in the Church's internal life, but who were the Church's "eyes and ears and hands".

He was speaking to an open meeting of the House, which is a direct descendent of the House of Laymen for the province of Canterbury, founded in 1886 after 30 years of discussion.

The open meeting was followed by a commemorative service in Westminster Abbey and a banquet, both attended by the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie.

Dr Habgood said those lay churchmen actively involved in the church's life and worship should not ignore "those whose primary vocation lies in their work and in their secular relationships.



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Man charged with murder of hotelier

David Wyn Roberts, aged 31, of no fixed address was yesterday remanded in custody by Kendal magistrates, charged with the murder of Mrs Bronwen Nixon, a Lake District hotelier.

He was remanded until Friday when he will appear at Windermere Magistrates' Court.

Mrs Nixon, aged 66, was strangled in her cottage next to the Rothay Manor Hotel, Ambleside, on January 19.

Youth accused of Brixton riots killing

A youth of 18 was accused at Camberwell Magistrates' Court yesterday of killing David George Hodge, aged 29, a freelance photographer, who died from head injuries after last September's Brixton riots.

Elroy Palmer, described as a security officer, of Effra Parade, Brixton, was remanded in custody until February 19.

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Obstetrician exposed mothers and babies to danger, inquiry told

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Mrs Wendy Savage, the consultant obstetrician at the London Hospital suspended since last April over her handling of five childbirth cases, yesterday went on trial for her professional life.

Counsel for her employer, Tower Hamlets Health Authority, described her handling of one case as "bizarre" and said that she exposed mothers and babies to dangers that were "both real and not necessary".

Mrs Savage, aged 42,is facing a disciplinary inquiry under health service regulations on charges of professional incompetence over the cases which date back to 1983.

Mr Ian Kennedy,QC, counsel for the health authority, told the inquiry that the five cases included one stillbirth and one neo-natal death. The inquiry would be told that "both these sadnesses could and should have been avoided", he said.

Opening the case against Mrs Savage he said that in the remaining cases "the management was outside all normal accepted procedures. It exposed the mothers and babies to risks which were both real and not necesarry."

Mrs Savage's suspension has led to a campaign for her reinstatment backed by family doctors,national childbirth organizations, her medical students and others. But Mr Kennedy told the inquiry that only one side of the case had so far been heard.

"This case has been presented as if it were a contest between old and new, between a male medical establishment and a women-orientated movement; between the impersonal imposition of technology and the freedom of a woman to choose how, where and in what manner she will have her baby, and between the concept of a patient and the concept of a well woman."

The inquiry would not resolve those issues, he said. "The doctors who are her colleagues in no way criticize, or do not subscribe, to many of the philosphies which Mrs Savage supports." he told the inquiry at Addison House, north London..

The issue was not about the principle but "how it is being put into practice in these five particular cases," he said. It is an inquiry not about theories but about dangers in obstretics."

Normal obstetrics carried unavoidable dangers. But the virtual elimination of maternal death in childbirth and the still falling figures for peri-natal death were being achieved both by research and by technical advances which allowed doctors to identify the early warnings of danger before the foetus and mother were at risk.

Mr Kennedy acknowledged there were difficulties at the Mile End site of the London Hospital which meant that it took an hour to organize an emergency caesarian delivery. Unless and until that time lag was reduced, obstetrics had to be practised "in the knowledge that one must walk correspondingly further from danger".

It was not an answer to argue that in some of these cases no harm had been done. That was the argument of the driver rounding a blind corner on the wrong side of the road and the answer was the same in both cases. In the case of the peri-natal death, he said, the course of management had been described by experts as "bizarre".

He also argued that Mrs Savage's belief in individual plans of management for each case of childbirth rather than an overall plan required that those plans had to be "very clear and very specific.

"In some of these cases the plans were neither clear nor specific." he said.

Mrs Savage sat calmly through the opening of the inquiry after being greeted by a cheering group of 50 supporters, including mothers with babies, on her arrival at the council chamber of the North East Thames Regional Health Authority where the hearing, expected to last about four weeks, is being held.

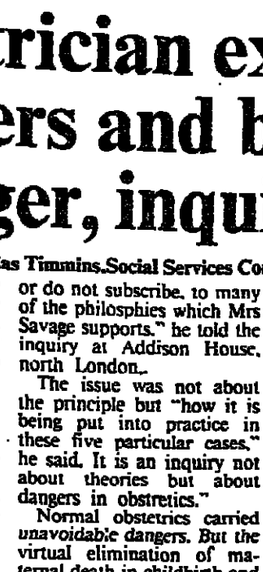
Outlining the five cases, Mr Kennedy said that in one, identified only by the initials SP on the instruction of Mr Christopher Beaumont,the inquiry chairman, the patient spent eight hours in the second stage of labour in a pregnancy which was a breech presentation which ended in a caesarian section.

Expert witnesses had described the handling of that case as "inexcusable" and "not in any way acceptable".

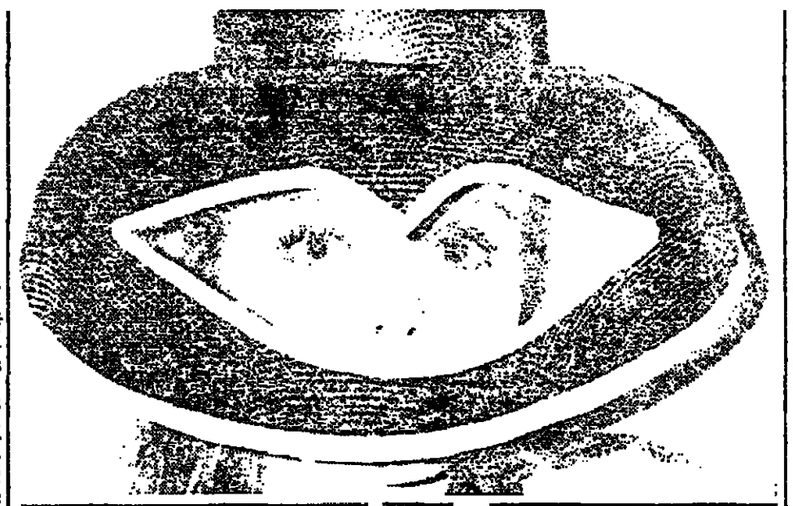
Mr Geoffrey Chamberlain, professor of Obstetrics at St Georges Hospital, London, who had reviewed the cases on Mrs Savage's behalf, had said the handling of the case was "most unusual" and that it was "difficult to defend" a second stage labour of that length, Mr Kennedy said.

In the second case, where the baby was stillborn, the case was not suitable for "shared care" between Mrs Savage and the patient's GP, Mr Kennedy said.

The patient should have been admitted to hospital for care much earlier when it became clear, he maintained, that the baby was not growing properly inside the womb.



Mrs Savage arriving at the inquiry yesterday







With brimfuls of hearts, flowers and feathers, milliner David Shilling celebrated the rites of spring with the launch of his 1986 couture collection yesterday (Suzy Menkes writes). The new geometry of hats brings in corkscrews of crisp straw brims, angled and curved, and giant lips cut out like a visor to make a peep show of the face (top). The straws are also made into tall pyramids, square boxes or a neat beret with a tail (right). Black and white is a favourite colour theme for perky uptilted hats or for jaunty bowlers. And any woman who wants to wear her heart on her sleeve can find scarlet hearts sprinkled on a straw cone (left). (Photographs: Harry Kerr)

School bias cuts girls' chances, governors told

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Instead of widening opportunities for girls and boys, schools condone and exacerbate sexual inequalities, a Labour Party research document published yesterday says.

Fathers and male teachers should prepare and serve refreshments on prize days, the paper says, while mothers and women teachers make the speeches and look after financial matters. Similarly, girl pupils should show guests round the school, while boys present flowers to VIPs.

The 15-page document, which has been drawn by up Labour educationists, represents advice to Labour school governors rather than official party policy.

"Research shows that, though there is little difference in the actual ability of girls and boys, they are unintentionally treated differently in schools, not because of any difference in skill or aptitude but solely on grounds of their sex," the report says.

School text books give pupils a limited view of life in which women stay at home while the men go out to work, the document says.

"Instead of widening opportunities for girls and boys, schools in the main condone and exacerbate social inequalities."

The paper particularly criticizes careers education because it says boys are introduced to more varied and better paid jobs than girls.

Parental control cuts crime by girls

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

More parental control is an important reason why girls generally commit less crime than boys, according to the latest Home Office research bulletin.

Parents' supervision influenced how girls spent their time away from home with friends. "Girls were less likely to go out to meet their friends in the evening and after going out were expected home earlier than boys. They were also less likely to spend their leisure time away from home."

Official statistics show that in the peak offending age group of 14 to 16 six indictable offences are committed by boys for every one by girls. But when surveys are done of youngsters to see who admits crime, the ratio is 2:1 or even lower.

One recent study of those aged 14 to 15-year-olds and their parents showed that 49 per cent of boys admitted offending in the past year compared with 39 per cent of girls. But where there was equal opportunity to commit crime — such as with fare evasion, school vandalism, thefts from home and false emergency calls and graffiti — girls were as guilty as boys.

With group delinquency that occurs in a group, boys dominated in a ratio of 3:1. Examples were smashing bottles in the street, carrying weapons and breaking windows in empty houses.

Drive against child drinkers

Police launched a campaign against under-age drinking yesterday and said that they were ready to send plain-clothes officers into public houses to catch and prosecute landlords who serve the youngsters.

Devon and Cornwall police are taking action after reports of regular drinking by children as young as 11.

Discos, off-licences and supermarkets will also be watched.

Mr John Balding, of the Schools' Health Education Unit at Exeter University, said that a nationwide survey showed that 56 per cent of boys aged 11 had admitted drinking alcohol in the previous seven days.

Of girls, 29 per cent had drunk alcohol during the same period.

Figures show that there is more under-age drinking in Scotland than elsewhere in Britain.

Sinclair reduces TV prices

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

Sinclair has reduced by 20 per cent the price of its flat screen pocket television, which was launched 18 months ago and is still to prove a commercial success.

The price reduction is part of a new marketing deal struck between Sinclair and Timex, which manufactures the televisions.

The deal gives the manufacturer the worldwide rights to the marketing and distribution of the novel television set.

The television price reductions are the latest in a number of discounts that have been offered on Sinclair products.The television sets have had £20 taken off the £99.95 launch price.The flat screen television has not fully realized its promise although it was considered by Sir Clive Sinclair,its creator,at the time of launch to be revolutionary.

The television, Sir Clive maintained, would have as much impact on television viewing as the transistor had on radio. The launch 18 months ago was accompanied by much publicity and the disclosure of the company's plans to launch a special version for export to the US market.

Officers saved by police dog

A police dog gave its life saving police and security guards from two armed bank robbers, the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday

One robber shot Yerba, the dog, three times with a handgun as they were chased from Lloyd's Bank in Station Road, Petts Wood, Kent. The first bullet hit the dog between the shoulder blades and he fell bleeding but staggered up and went after the robbers.

The gunman fired again and shot the German Shepherd dog in the face. As Yerba tried to get up again a third shot killed the animal.

But the dog's bravery prevented Tony Baldessare, aged 45, from turning his gun on police officers and finally led to the capture of the two robbers, the court was told.

Baldessare had escaped with Patrick Murray, aged 40, after a car chase by police. Six months later detectives trapped Baldessare in a house in Gleneldon Road, Streatham, south London.

Police laid siege to the house and he dared them to join in a shoot-out, but he finally committed suicide with the revolver he had used to kill Yerba, Mr Paul Purnell, for the prosecution, said.

Murray was captured at Gatwick airport as he tried to flee to Spain.

Murray, of Windmill Walk, Lambeth, south London, was jailed for 12 years. He pleaded guilty to attempting to rob the Petts Wood bank in August 1984 and robbing two other banks of £32,000. He also admitted having an imitation firearm.

After the trial the judge commended all the officers involved in the robbers' capture and the courage of Yerba, who has a plaque marking the spot where he died.

Dispute over custody of addict baby

A girl, aged 11 months, who was born a drug addict, was at the centre of a legal dispute in the High Court yesterday.

The girl became addicted to the drug while in her mother's womb. By the time she was three weeks old she was seriously ill and showing signs of withdrawal, Mr Christopher Critchlow, for the baby's guardian, said.

He was appearing in an appeal before two Family Division judges, Mr Justice Hollings and Mr Justice Waite, against the care order.

Her mother, aged 30, was a registered methadone addict, and her father, aged 35, had also been a registered drug addict.

The hearing continues today.

Crown yields in murder case appeal

The Crown yesterday made a concession in an appeal by Ernest Clarke, aged 55, who was jailed for life in 1980 for a murder of a girl he says he did not commit.

After Court of Appeal judges and barristers had adjourned for a private showing of a BBC *Rough Justice* television programme, Mr Brian Walsh, QC, announced that the prosecution accepted that clothing, found near the body of Miss Eileen McDougall, aged 16, in South Shields, Tyneside, did not belong to her.

The clothing was said by Clarke's lawyer to be the most damning piece of evidence against him.

The appeal hearing continues today.

Legion patient

An unnamed man is in Derriford Hospital, Plymouth,suffering from Legionnaires' disease. The man, in his forties, was admitted to hospital more than a week ago.

Exports up

British pottery exports to the United States exceeded £33.6 million in the first 10 months of this financial year, nearly twice the total exported in the same period last year.

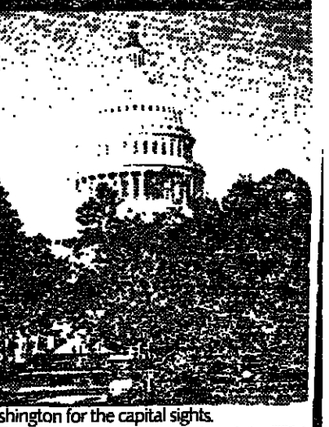
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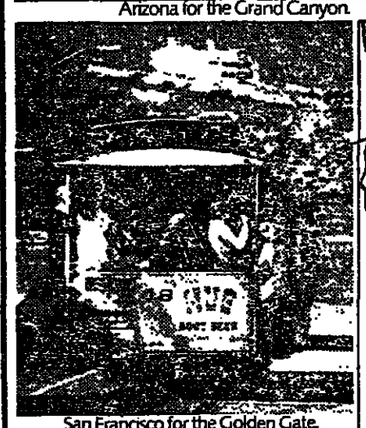
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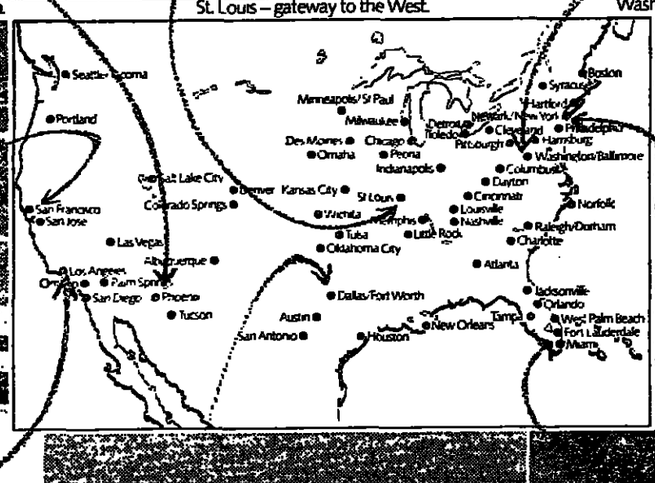
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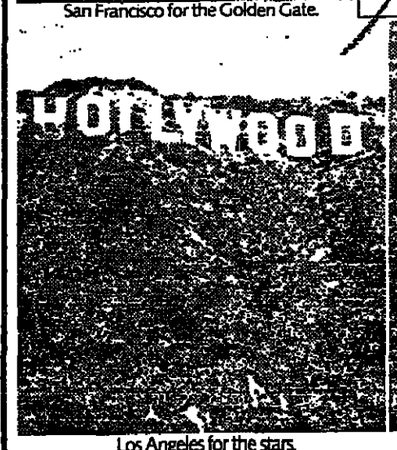


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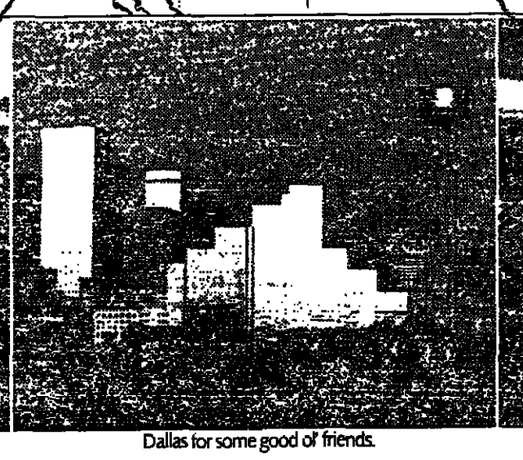




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'Motor morons' threat to cyclists

The Government, highway authorities and motor manufacturers were accused yesterday of helping to create a new generation of "motoring morons", more interested in speed than safety.

The attack came from a leading cyclists' campaigner who said that a growing number of riders were being killed and maimed while the cost of dealing with road accidents had become a massive big national burden.

"As long as government and local authorities continue to build urban freeways, dual carriageways and the like, that tacitly encourages the faster, and more often, then the present carnage on the roads will continue with cyclists becoming more and more vulnerable," Mr Iain Lynn, editor of *Bicycle Times*,said .

"The car rules supreme and roads will be built for them and them alone. Cars are being sold on speed rather than safety, which does little to encourage motorists to drive sensibly, and with care and attention.

"Current road building policy is designed to accommodate cars, not bikes. It is also inadvertently designed for boy-racer motoring morons, ably assisted by the motor manufacturers themselves who are spending vast sums to convince us that we are all latent racing drivers."

Latest government figures show that 5,999 people were killed in road accidents in 1984, a 3 per cent increase over the previous year. In 1984 there was 3 per cent drop in cycle usage but a 5 per cent increase in adult fatalities and serious injuries among cyclists.

The total annual cost to the country of road accidents is now £2,650 million, or £47 for each person in Britain. Each fatal accident costs the country £127,700, according to the Department of Transport.

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Channon pledge on Leyland trucks

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While no decisions had been reached in the talks between British Leyland and General Motors, were any deals to be reached, GM would give full undertakings that the majority of vehicles sold by the businesses involved would be manufacturered in the UK. Mr **Paul Channon**, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, declared in the Commons.

He added that the products would continue to have a high local content and there would be a substantial level of exports. Research and development facilities would be maintained and developed in the UK. Land-Rover would retain its distinct British identity and a proper level of investment would be injected into the business to achieve competitive future models and facilities.

If these talks were to come off (he went on) it would be Government's aim to make sure that the jobs and future of Land Rover and other companies will be more secure, not less. That is what we are fighting for: to get a viable industry that will be secure in future.

He was replying to a private notice question from Mr **John Smith**, chief Opposition spokesman on trade and industry, who feared a surrender of crucial British interests. Mr **Channon** told the House that with the approval of the British Leyland board, discussions were in progress between BL and General Motors with the aim of creating an internationally competitive United Kingdom commercial vehicle industry. The talks covered Leyland Trucks, Land-Rover, Freight Rover and certain related overseas operations.

Mr David Madel (South West Bedfordshire, C) said General Motors had a long and distinguished history of supplying defence equipment for Britain's needs.

Mr George Park (Coventry North East, Lab) said a recent Conservative motion paid tribute to the workers and management of Leyland. Did Mr Channon imagine that his announcement was any encouragement to them?

Mr Channon: I do believe my announcement should be a comfort to the workforce to realize their future is likely to be secure. Mr Park should remember that well over £2 billion has been pumped into British Leyland in the last few years.

Mr John Carlisle (Luton North, C) said General Motors had an excellent record and he had every confidence that if the merger took place it would be of benefit to all the workers.

Mr Channon said he welcomed his support.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) said one of the duties Mr Channon had taken over was to ensure a viable British-owned motor industry. Was the Government's policy now one of selling off job lots for the American market?

Mr Channon: What I am seeking to do is to try to create the conditions in which these companies will be able to have a more secure future than they have had in the past and where people will be able to look forward with confidence to the future of their companies. I would not have let talks proceed unless there were substantial assurances to that effect.



Channon: No decision yet

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab) asked if this were not another example of dropping the Union Jack and raising the Stars and Stripes over British Industry. Had not this American corporation already made it clear that they did not want Leyland Buses and if that was the case what was going to be done with them?

Mr Channon said separate discussions were taking place with the Laird group about the future of Leyland Buses. He would have thought that Mr Campbell-Savours would have welcomed that.

Dame Jill Knight (Birmingham, Edgbaston, C) said the future of scores, if not hundreds, of small businesses in the West Midlands depended utterly upon their ability to provide British Leyland with parts. Could the House be certain that their future was being considered in any arrangements that were to be made?

Mr Channon replied that he had the point very much in mind.

Discussions were at an advanced stage but a number of important issues remained to be settled. As for other British Leyland business, it remained policy to return them to private ownership as soon as practicable.

Talks with other car manufacturers were in progress but some were at an exploratory stage and it was too early to tell whether it would lead to a stake, acquisition or merger.

Mr John Smith said the statement revealed things were at an advanced stage yet up til now the House had been told nothing. It confirmed fears expressed the previous day by Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow Chancellor.

It was appalling that the Government was willing even to contemplate the disposal of the largest part of the British truck and bus manufacturing industry to an American competitor. In October Mr Leon Brittan, the previous Secretary of State, had said that despite lengthy discussions General Motors were not ready to prove they were a British car producer.

Was there no part of British industry safe from the destructive performance of this Government?

Is there (he asked) anything that is not for sale? Will he confirm there is a team from General Motors currently within Leyland doing a detailed dossier on the business?

The purpose of GM in buying Leyland would be to buy out the British market share and get their hands on modern facilities provided on a public financial basis at a cost of £320 million.

Would there not be large job losses at Bedford as well as Leyland. What was the estimate of the number of jobs lost?

What future would there be for Land Rover and Range Rover? Would not the job lot disposal of this prestigious British product be seen at home and abroad as a dreadful and shameful retreat. Was it not a sad day that a British Government could even think of such a thing.

If the deal went ahead was it not the case that the British armed forces would have no British supplier of vehicles on which they could depend. Could the Government explain why all other countries in Western Europe wanted to stay in this industry but this Government did not?

What protection would there be for independent British research and development?

This episode was typical of the Government's industrial policy involving the destruction of jobs.

Mr Channon said he strongly refuted most of what Mr Smith had said. No decisions had been reached in the talks between British Leyland and General Motors. When firm conclusions were reached he would make a full statement to the House.

More money for BR to extend rail tracks

CHANNEL LINK

The Government's White Paper on the Channel link was being published tomorrow (Tuesday) and from that would be discovered best guesses about extra employment and where it would fall. Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, said during Commons questioning.

It would be, he said, for the many industrial companies in the Midlands and North to make sure they won the contracts when they were put out to tender. The Government recognised that British Rail would require a higher level of external finance than would otherwise be the case.

Some £700 million or £800 million of railway investment would flow from the decision to build the Channel Tunnel Group scheme. The railway workshops were in the North and Midlands and jobs would go to those areas.

Later, **Mr Ridley** confirmed that British Rail's external finance limits would need to be set far enough ahead for everyone to see what was happening to the development and extension of services in the south-east, the north and in Scotland.

He also gave an assurance that the finance limits would be expanded to take account of British Rail's needs in the light of the Channel fixed link, and that BR's other requirements would not be curtailed.

Mr Jonathan Aitken (Thanet South, C) said Mr Ridley had previously given the impression that he would not allow taxpayers' money to be spent on the Channel project.

Since then, and today, he had given a different impression of expanded finance limits and railways for the north. There was a danger of schizophrenia here. (Laughter).

Mr Ron Lewis (Carlisle, Lab) said Mr Ridley had suggested the fixed link was going to mean extra funding for British Rail. Is that (he asked) why Mr Ridley was so opposed to the scheme originally?

Mr Ridley: I was opposed to the scheme 11 years ago, because it was to be paid for by taxpayers. This will not involve taxpayers' money for construction. Therefore, it will not be at the expense of other Government programmes.

He also said he had always made it clear that the Government would accept essential road links and railway investment resulting from the fixed link, just as the Government accepted the need to build roads and railways in any new port, town or factory where traffic justified an increase in infrastructural investment.

Government concern at EEC budget

MPs could not draw a parallel in debate between the British court cases of Liverpool and Lambeth councillors in respect of disputed budgets and the positions of members of the European parliament as a result of the contentious EEC budget approved in December. This was said by Sir Paul Dean, the Deputy Speaker, after two Labour and two Conservative MPs had raised points of order at the beginning of a speech by Mr Peter Brooke, Minister of State, Treasury, on supplementary estimates for 1985-86.

The Deputy Speaker ruled that MPs must abide by the precedent that they could not say anything that might prejudice a case before the British courts had decided upon it. This did not apply in international cases, such as the one involving the EEC budget, which would come before the Euro courts.

Mr Brooke said the Government took an extremely serious view of the European Parliament's approval of a budget amounting to some £400 million above that agreed by the Council of Ministers. Until the differences were settled, the Government would pay in full, on a without prejudice basis.

Mr Brooke was continually interrupted by Conservative backbenchers who wanted to know why the Government was going ahead with paying the disputed money to the EEC Commission when the matter was before the courts.

He told them that even if the Commission spent the money a most important battle would have been won in terms of establishing where the power lay between the European Parliament and European Council. (Laughter).

The Council was taking legal action against the European Parliament and the British Government was also doing so.

Joseph asks all teacher unions to join talks

EDUCATION

Although the biggest teachers' Union, the National Union of Teachers was not a party to the provisional agreement to end the year-long dispute in schools, the Government hoped all the unions in the profession would join in the talks that lay ahead for 1986, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said in a Commons statement.

Mr Giles Radice, chief Opposition spokesman on education, said Sir Keith Joseph and the education department had done nothing to help bring about a settlement of this highly-damaging dispute. The statement did nothing to make a long-term settlement more likely.

The Secretary of State had not offered local education authorities any extra money to help pay for a provisional settlement, nor a government contribution towards a longer-term settlement next year.

When would the Government accept a simple truth: that raising educational standards and giving teachers decent salaries required substantial extra investment?

By announcing he would not be seeking re-election as an MP, Sir Keith had been transformed overnight into the lamest of lame ducks. (Conservative protests).

If he really cares about education he should announce he is resigning as Secretary of State.



Joseph: Teachers deserve more

Sir Keith Joseph said teachers deserved more pay, so that the right people could be recruited, retained and motivated.

But it would not be right to pay out more public money without an agreement over a new pay structure and an acceptance by the teachers' unions of duties.

Mr Radice was active in accepting pay for teachers, but would not accept that teachers duties were a necessary part of the bargain. (Cheers).

Mr Alan Haselhurst (Saffron Walden, C): If we are to get complete resolution of this dispute it is crucial that the rank and file teachers should be persuaded to accept the outline of the ACAS agreement.

Sir Keith Joseph: It is important that teachers in the unions should understand what is on offer and that the Government has already set aside a substantial sum of money to be released on condition that the bargain to which I have referred should be made.

One of the unions has already called off disruption; another union is balloting its members now - and we understand that will take much of this month.

I very much hope that the NUT, which has called off the strike on which it provisionally decided, will also decide to call off the disruption.

Mr Clement Freud (North East Cambridgeshire, L): The more intransigent he is, the more succour he gives to the hardline unionists.

Sir Keith Joseph: If we had not been firm in saying extra pay for teachers would only be forthcoming from the taxpayer if, in return, they accepted duties and a new pay structure and extra promotions, we would not even, I believe by now, have got the discussion on that bargain on the agenda.

Mr Patrick Thompson (Norwich North, C): I join him in deploring the damage done to our children's education by this long-running dispute. We must somehow find a way of encouraging those moderate and conscientious teachers, who dislike intensely the strike weapon and, in many cases, have rejected it.

Cannot we in the longer-term move towards some kind of professional teachers' council and a situation where we can actually negotiate a no-strike agreement?

Mr Keith Joseph: I agree in paying tribute to all those teachers and particularly heads who have carried on without disruption.

I stand ready to support the idea of a general teachers' council, if that were the wish of the majority of teachers, but I would need to be convinced first that a general teachers' council would really operate on behalf of the children as well as taking an interest in teachers.

Mr John Thompson (Wansbeck, Lab): Even if there is a settlement, normal working in schools, as we recognised it before the dispute, will not come back again. Teachers are specifically resisting the demands for resuming out of school activities.

Sir Keith Joseph said things would return to normal, except that the Government was now financing midday supervision by separate means and asking for appraisal to be considered as part of teachers' duties.

Mr Robert Key (Salisbury, C): The majority of teacher unions are prepared to talk about restructuring and conditions and appraisal. The Acas panel being established should become the son of Burnham as an embryo future negotiating body.

Sir Keith Joseph: Burnham is needed under the law to validate and implement any agreement made under the Acas umbrella.

Peers seek assurance on Sadler's Wells

HOUSE OF LORDS

It would be a disgrace if a theatre as historic and nationally important as Sadler's Wells were allowed to close for lack of adequate funding, peers said during question time in the House of Lords.

Lord Belstead, the Government spokesman, answering a question on Government plans to assist the theatre, said: This is a matter for the theatre itself and for the Arts Council which has been asked to replace the GLC funding of Sadler's Wells. The Arts Council has considered ways in which Sadler's Wells can be helped, but it would be contrary to its declared policy for it to fund a building as distinct from a performing company. Negotiations are continuing.

Lady Nicol (Lab): In 1984 the Earl of Gowrie and in 1985 the Minister in the Commons assured Sadler's Wells by saying the GLC allocation to them had been taken into account when giving extra money to the Arts Council. Are we now to understand that these ministerial assurances are meaningless?

Lord Belstead: Both considered the implications of the abolition of funding for Sadler's Wells, and the £25 million allocated to the Arts Council specifically for post-abolition funding has taken account of this.

Lord Nugent of Guildford (C): The theatre is of historic and national importance and the opera and ballet has made an outstanding contribution to our national life.

While I normally sympathise with government policy of leaving the Arts Council to make its own judgement about distribution of the very large funds provided from the Government, the Arts Council can be capricious about about its grants sometimes.

Because it is vital that adequate funding be provided to keep the theatre open, would the Government reconsider giving the Arts Council some firm advice about grants to Sadler's Wells?

Lord Belstead: The theatre does play a vital part in the cultural life of London and the nation. It is essentially a matter for the Arts Council to work out the possibilities in consultation with Sadler's Wells and other interested parties.

Lord Jenkins of Putney (Lab): The theatre is in a frightful position. It will have to close on May 17 unless something is done.

Lord Belstead: Consultations are going on with a view to securing the future of buildings outside Greater London. I believe it is going to be possible to find a solution within Greater London.

Lord Strabolgi (Lab): There is a shortfall of £10 million between what the Government is giving and what the GLC gave before.

Attorney rejects claim

There was no truth at all in the Labour allegation that Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Solicitor General, had been used by the Prime Minister in a war against Mr Michael Heseltine, **Sir Michael Havers**, the Attorney General, said to Labour protests during Commons questions on the inquiry into the leak of the letter sent by the Solicitor General to the Mr Heseltine on the Westland Affair.

He said he could not give a Conservative backbencher an assurance that the practice of government using leaks by public servants would cease. There had not been any leaks in his department while he had been in office. Leaking of any kind was deplorable.

The Attorney General said that the two letters from the Solicitor General to the then Secretary of State for Defence, dated January 6 and January 7 this year, which had been place in the library of the House, revealed that advice was given by the Solicitor General on December 31, 1985 and on those two days.

In accordance with the convention on law officers' advice (he continued)I am not prepared to disclose if I or the Solicitor General was asked to give legal advice on the proposed financial reconstruction arrangements for Westland plc on any other occasion.

Mr Jack Straw (Blackburn, Lab):On the leak of the Solicitor General's letter, the Prime Minister had admitted to the House that at least by January 7 she was told in general terms that there had been talks between her own office and the Department of Trade and Indusry in advance of the leak.

Did the Prime Minister at any time (that is what she told us on January 23) between January 7 and January 23, share this general knowledge with the Attorney General or the Solicitor General and, if so, on what date?

Sir Michael Havers: The only time I had any communication with the Prime Minister was on January 22 when the Secretary to the Cabinet gave us an outline of his report.

Mr Jeremy Hayes(Harlow, C):This is the sort of question which amplifies the Labour Party's policy of only obeying those laws which it finds advantageous to itself. They have said numerous times that this sort of question, about advice between the law officers and members of the Cabinet, is a matter which is forbidden territory.

Sir Michael Havers said he agreed it was a long convention that neither the fact of the advice nor the contents is disclosed.

Mr John Morris, chief Opposition spokesman on legal affairs:When the Attorney General answered the House in a written answer on January 16 that an internal inquiry into the leak was still a considerable way from being completed, was he aware that it was an inquiry into an official leak, and what legal advice was he then tendering?

Was not the department consulted as to the proposed use of the Solicitor General's letter?

Are there precedents for law officers' letters being used as weapons for publicly chastising ministerial colleagues?

Sir Michael Havers: Having consulted the Secretary of the Cabinet and expressed my view that it was essential that a leak inquiry should be set up, I did not know any more about that inquiry until I was informed of the results, first in summary form and then being provided with the actual document on January 22, the same day as it was given to the Prime Minister.

On leaking, I have nothing really to add

Law on age to remain

The Government was not prepared to introduce legislation making age discrimination illegal, **Lord Young of Graffham**, Secretary of State for Employment, said during question time in the House of Lords.

He told peers: I am deeply concerned that skill and experience should not be wasted, but to seek to interefere in employer's decisions about whether, in their particular circumstances to recruit an older or a younger person, would run counter to the Government's policy of reducing the administration and legislative burdens on business in encouraging the provision of jobs for people of all ages.

Tube crime report soon

More measures to protect women travelling on public transport were called for by Ms **Jo Richardson** (Barking, Lab) during transport questions in the Commons. She said a GLC survey showed that more than 75 per cent of women felt unsafe travelling at night and more conductors and staff were needed as machines could not respond t cries for help.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, said a study of crime on the London underground, which covered the safety of women was expected to report by the end of July. His Department had also set up a working group to examine violence on the buses which would be reporting shortly.

Commentary



Geoffrey Smith

How far are members of the House of Commons defence select committee justified in demanding that Civil Servants should give evidence on the leak of the Solicitor-General's letter? The question needs to be asked not only by those who wish to preserve the Government from further embarrassment but also by those who are concerned that individual Civil Servants should not be placed in a false position.

It might be argued that this committee is rather stretching its field of responsibility in inquiring about the leak. As it occurred in the Department of Trade and Industry should this line of questioning not be left to that committee?

But it is relevant to defence policy whether the Government has conducted itself properly over Westland, and it was the Government that suggested that the committees should examine the saga. So I do not think it would be wise to be fastidious on that point.

But is it unfair to bring Civil Servants into it? Two arguments can be advanced against doing so, one constitutional and the other a consideration of personal justice.

The convention has always been that it is for ministers to take responsibility for what happens in their departments. That convention was set out explicitly by the Cabinet Secretary, Sir Robert Armstrong, in his memorandum last year on the duties and responsibilities of Civil Servants: "It is the minister who is responsible and answerable in Parliament for the conduct of the department's affairs and the management of its business."

The Civil Servant does not have a constitutional personality or responsibility separate from his minister. That is why in the past ministers have resigned when Civil Servants have erred.

That convention should not be lightly cast aside. It is in particular necessary to preserve the ability of Civil Servants to offer confidential advice to their minister. Otherwise the pressures of them to be cautious will be even greater than now.

But it is the Government which has disregarded the convention in the Westland controversy by publishing the official record of Mr Brittan's meeting with Sir Raymond Lygo, by naming officials who could support Mr Brittan's recollection of that meeting, and now by putting part of the blame for the leak upon misunderstandings between officials.

The committee has been left with no alternative but to question officials if it is to find out what went wrong. The only other option would be for senior ministers to appear as frank and forthcoming witnesses themselves. There is constitutional logic in Dr John Gilbert's suggestion that the Prime Minister herself might give evidence.

But that idea should be seen at this stage as no more than a political signal to the Government that the committee will not be satisfied unless other witnesses are more helpful than Mr Brittan was on his later appearances last year. It is not only the Labour members who are determined not to be fobbed off.

The committee can afford to take a strong line in this instance without fear of impairing the principle that advice should be confidential. It is the actions of officials, not their advice to ministers, that is at issue.

But there is still the risk of officials being placed in an invidious position. The rules governing their conduct before select committees instruct them not to be forthcoming about "the level at which decisions were taken or the manner in which a minister has consulted his colleagues". But just how certain decisions were taken is precisely what the committee want to know.

Because there is obviously a danger of officials being caught between conflicting requirements that is the stage at which certain principles should be set out. Except in so far as they may already have been granted immunity, officials should be liable to disciplinary action for any personal misconduct over the leak. But they should not be penalized for the evidence they give to the select committee.

I see no reason for the committee to be inhibited on that score. Its task is to conduct its inquiries as well as it can. It is to their Civil Service and ministerial superiors that officials should look for the professional protection they deserve.

Police drug team network delayed by cash problems

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Plans for a national network of detective teams specializing in big drug cases have been delayed by problems over the scheme's financing.

After six months the teams are now unlikely to start until the new financial year at the earliest.

The network was announced last summer as part of a government strategy for fighting drug trafficking and dealing. More than 220 detectives would be drafted into the nine regional crime squads which cover Britain to form a total of 17 "drug wings". The teams would cost a total of £6 million to £10 million a year and are seen as a key component in the police effort against drug abuse.

But the teams were announced halfway through the financial year, which left financially stricken local authorities with fresh problems. The Home Office will pay half the cost of the teams but local authorities have found difficulty finding their share.

Astown halls draw up budgets for the new financial year, police are trying to find out what will happen to the teams. The Association of Chief Police Officers is surveying all chief constables to see how plans for recruiting the teams have progressed.

No one yet knows which of the English or Welsh regional crime squads will start teams. The Scottish police are expected to start this summer in a staggered arrangement which will also be used across the border.

Next month representatives of county and metropolitan authorities are to meet Home Office officials to discuss problems in setting up the network. The authorities agree with the Home Office about the seriousness of the drug problem but are worried about cost.

Heart link check on cot deaths

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

Research is being launched into the links between heart defects in babies and cot deaths.

An investigation into the causes and nature of damage to the heart muscle in newborn and young infants and its relationship to sudden infant death syndrome will be carried out at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford.

Dr Helen Porter, of the Nuffield department of pathology at the hospital, will conduct the project, funded by the British Heart Foundation.

The charity is also funding research into "hole in the heart" congenital defects at the Institute of Child Health at Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool. The grants are two of nine worth £144,837 by the foundation

Elgar song found in drawer

An unpublished manuscript by Edward Elgar, the composer, has been found after lying in a desk drawer for 40 years.

The folded foolscap sheets bearing the words "music of an undergraduate's drinking song" were autographed by the composer in June 1924.

Covered by old newspaper cuttings, Christmas cards and family documents, they were only revealed when Mrs Jane McInnes, aged 55, of Richmond Park Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, was persuaded to have a clearout.

Mrs McInnes, who was paid a four figure sum, handed over the four sheets at her home yesterday to the Elgar Foundation.

For years the foundation have had a rough pencil sketch of the song – without being able to compare it to a full manuscript.

Mr Wulstan Atkins, aged 81, the godson of the composer and chairman of the foundation, said:"It's a wonderful find. We believe it was the last unpublished manuscript of Elgar's still undiscovered."



Mrs Jane McInnes holding the autographed Elgar manuscript–"music of an undergraduate's drinking song."

Pop music publisher dies at 65

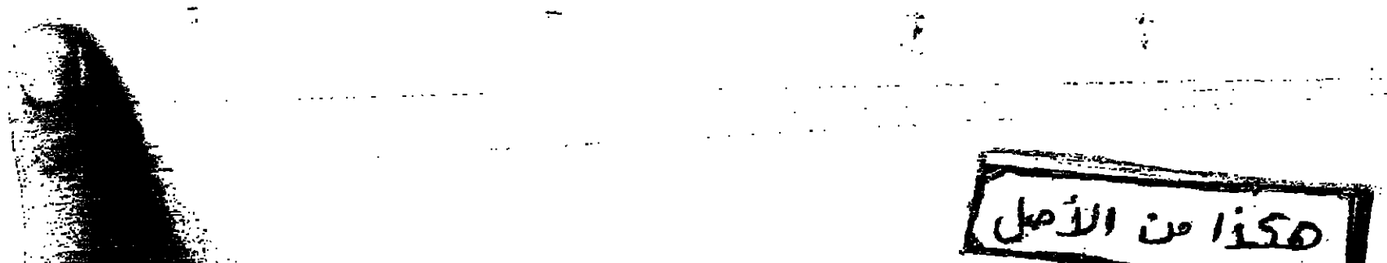
By David Hewson

Dick James,the music publisher, died of a heart attack on Saturday, two months after losing a court case brought by the musician, Elton John, which could cost his company up to £5 million. He was 65.

Mr James was one of the most successful publishers of the pop music boom. A singer by profession – he recorded the theme music for the 1950s television series *Robin Hood* - he was a key figure in the growth of Northern Songs, which published the Beatles, and later formed his own company, Dick James Music.

Last November DJM lost a case brought by Elton John and his songwriting partner, Bernie Taupin.Mr Justice Nicholls said that Mr John and Mr Taupin had been deliberately underpaid while they had been employed by DJM with whom they signed a publishing, recording and management agreement in 1967 when they were "young and inexperienced".

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Aden carnage survivor tells of party leaders' execution

From Robert Fisk, Aden

Ali Salem al-Beedh sat on a low sofa, grinning and constantly clutching a brown walking stick in his left hand. Where was he wounded, we asked, and he grinned, pulled up his shirt and patted the blue T-shirt which covered his stomach.

It was, in fact, a little worse than that. Ali Salem's would-be assassins had shot him in the thigh and lower abdomen *after* the original murder attempt at the Politburo on January 13.

He had escaped President Ali Nasser Muhammad's South Yemeni Politburo liquidation with two colleagues, Abdul Fatah Ismael – one of the leading figures in the anti-British struggle of the 1960s – and Salem Saleh Muhammad, a secretary of the Central Committee. All three, he said, had been rescued by the Army. But where, we asked, was Abdul Fatah Ismael now?

"I withdrew with him (after the shooting) at 7 *o'clock on January 13*," he said. "But I escaped on one tank and he escaped on another."

All that is known, therefore, is that *Mr Ali Salem* and Mr Salem Saleh Muhammad are the sole surving members of the old 11-strong Politburo in Aden and the only ones wielding power. Three were killed on January 13, four fled with Mr Ali Nasser Muhammad, and one, Mr Abdul Fatah Ismael, is missing.

Mr Ali Salem al-Beedh sipped a glass of water on his sofa. He liked to talk about his life. He was 46, married with eight children, himself "a struggler" in the war against the British. A Hadramaut man with long, dark hair, *he smiled a lot*.

Did the foreign journalists have any questions? There were a few. Were these battles in Aden not, perhaps, *just tribal warfare?* Ali Salem chuckled softly at so preposterous a notion.

"The fact is," he said, "that Ali Nasser did not believe in socialism."

"Our differences with him were well known – there was tension even before the third conference of our party. For the sake of the national interest, we tried to sacrifice so many things for unity. But who would have thought Ali Nasser would try to kill us?"

Ali Salem chose not to elaborate on just what the "tensions and differences" were with Ali Nasser – "*ideological, social* questions," he would only say; but he insisted that "the Soviet stand is with the Yemeni Socialist Party".

As for Mr Ali Nasser Muhammad, Ali Salem evinced astonishment that the former President could even contemplate the murder of his party colleagues. "It was a crime against the party and the reputation of our revolution," he said.

But had not Ali Nasser been elected by the party? Had he not been Prime Minister as well as President – and for a long time? "That was our mistake," Ali Salem replied. And this time, he did not smile.



Mr Carl McNair, brother of Ronald McNair, who was killed in the Challenger shuttle disaster, being comforted by his wife at a South Carolina memorial service

Reagan starts spending cuts

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan has given the go-ahead for the first round of $11.4 billion (£8.14 billion) in automatic spending cuts, while holding fast to his demand for defence spending increases, domestic budget cuts and no tax increases to reduce the deficit.

Standing firm in the face of pressure from his own party for an early compromise on this year's contentious budget, Mr Reagan said in his weekly radio broadcast that any tax increase Congress sent to him would be "DOA – dead on arrival".

He announced that the spending cuts for the current fiscal year, mandated by the Gramm-Rudman Balanced Budget legislation, will take effect *on March 1*, unless they are successfully challenged in court. They represent a 4.3 per cent cut for domestic agencies and a 4.9 per cent cut for defence.

Mr Reagan said that passage of the Gramm-Rudman law was "an admission by Congress that zero hour is upon us". He insisted that government services could be maintained, but complained that the budget savings made no distinction between high-priority programmes and those of little merit.

Both Congress and the Administration have resigned themselves to this first swing of the Gramm-Rudman budget axe.

The real fight will come over next year's budget, when more swingeing cuts will be needed. The President is to submit his spending plan tomorrow, and Congress is hoping that last year's protracted and bruising budget fight can be avoided.

Senate Republicans have circulated a letter urging the President to act on deficit reduction before tax reform. The party leadership has, at meetings, pressed on him the need not to wait until August or September before compromising on the budget.

South Africa inquiry

Commonwealth's team to start on apartheid report

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Two senior Commonwealth officials have left London for Cape Town to prepare the way for the first visit to South Africa later this month by members of the *Commonwealth Group of Eminent Persons* to promote a "dialogue for democracy" between the South African authorities and representative black leaders.

The Commonwealth has opted for a phased approach in carrying out its delicate and difficult mission.

The first phase will take place later this month when three of the seven-member group – Mr Malcolm Fraser, the former Prime Minister of Australia, General Olusegon Obasanjo, the former President of Nigeria and Dame Nita Barrow, a president of the World Council of Churches – hold a preliminary round of talks with black and white South African leaders. Their visit, *preceded by a meeting of the full* group in London, will begin on February 15.

Depending on the outcome the second phase will occur later in the spring when the full group will descend on South Africa for further talks before reporting to the Commonwealth on progress in dismantling apartheid.

The decision to set up the Commonwealth group was taken at the organization's summit meeting in Nassau last October as part of a compromise to prevent a split between Britain and the rest of the Commonwealth *on the question of economic* sanctions against South Africa.

The group has until June to assess progress towards removing apartheid and the effectiveness of the political and constitutional reforms which President Botha has announced in recent months, most notably in his speech to *Parliament last Friday*.

The Commonwealth has warned it will consider imposing new restrictive measures on South Africa – such as banning flights to and from South Africa or boycotting its agricultural produce – if it is not satisfied that the apartheid barriers are beginning to come down.

As part of its carrot-and-stick approach to South Africa, the Commonwealth has also called on the Pretoria Government to take a number of actions, including promoting a political dialogue with black leaders, *lifting the state of emergency*, lifting the ban on the African National Congress and releasing Mr Nelson Mandela.

One of the first points *which the Commonwealth* officials must establish is exactly to whom the group will be able to talk and who is prepared to talk to them.

Much will depend on whether or not the Commonwealth team is allowed to talk to Mr Mandela. So far the South African Government has given no undertaking beyond saying that it is prepared to consider ways of facilitating the group's work.

● CAPE TOWN: Mrs Winnie Mandela yesterday contemptuously rejected the proposal by President Botha to free her husband in *exchange for a South African* soldier captured in Angola and two Soviet dissidents (Reuter reports).

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Party officials accused

Moscow steps up corruption war

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

There are increasing signs that the Kremlin's new drive against corruption, inefficiency and excessive secrecy in Soviet public life, is being intensified in the run-up to the crucial 27th Communist Party congress which opens here on February 25.

Reporting the local party congress in the southern Soviet republic of Azerbaijan, the official party newspaper *Pravda* yesterday disclosed that Mr Farkhad Salmanov, the republic's former minister for the cotton-cleaning industry, had recently been brought to trial on charges of corruption and misuse of power.

Mr Salmanov, who was sacked as minister last December after holding the post for five years, was one of a number of senior Soviet officials accused publicly at the congress of serious failings. In keeping with the nationwide drive to clean up the administration, Mr Kyamran Bagirov, the local party chief, admitted to delegates that he shared some of the blame for not weeding out more corrupt officials and remedying inefficiency.

Pravda had on Sunday accused a number of former senior officials in the central Asian republic of Uzbekistan – one of the most notoriously corrupt areas of the Soviet Union – of being "state criminals".

The attack arose out of the party's five-yearly congress in the republic, part of preparations for the national meeting, which will be attended by 5,000 delegates. *Pravda* disclosed that the Uzbek party had accused several officials of corrupt practices on a vast scale.

The paper said distortion of statistics, embezzlement and bribery had become widespread in the republic, and that falsified figures and miscalculations had led to serious problems in the region's economy. Most of those singled out for denunciation were figures who held power during the Brezhnev era.

Western observers described the criticism and other widespread moves against corrupt, inefficient and elderly officials as part of a process of "de-Brezhnevization" ordered personally by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader.

Late last month, the former bosses of the influential Moscow city Communist Party – also one-time associates of Brezhnev – were subjected to a savage public harangue by the city's tough new Siberian-born party chief, Mr Boris Yeltsin, aged 55, a strong supporter of Mr Gorbachov's new policy of "social discipline".

Mr Yeltsin's outspoken indictment of incompetence, corrupt practices and administrative remoteness in the capital was remarkable not only for the directness of language but also because his predecessor for 18 years, Mr Viktor Grishin, was sitting in the audience to hear it being made.



Mr Grishin: likely to lose Politburo seat.

Mr Grishin, once known for his closeness to Brezhnev, is confidently expected to lose his seat on the ruling Politburo by the end of the congress. He had to sit stony-faced at the meeting of the *city party organization* through repeated condemnation of, among other things, fraud, bad transport, rude shop assistants and open corruption in the city's hospitals.

Another aspect of Soviet life singled out for criticism in the run-up to the congress has been excessive secrecy. On Saturday, the official paper *Sovietskaya Rossiya*, which has been in the vanguard of the Kremlin drive for more openness, attacked the secretive style of work of local Communist Party committees.

It alleged this was largely responsible for the unfounded rumours which frequently circulate like wildfire throughout the Soviet Union.

90 Tamil rebels die in pitched battles

Colombo (Reuter) - The Government has appealed for help from Buddhist monks to solve Sri Lanka's ethnic conflict after at least 90 Tamil rebels were reported killed in weekend battles with security forces.

President Jayewardene, speaking at a Buddhist ceremony at Wathuruwila near Colombo, asked monks to propose "a strategy based on non-violence".

At least 60 guerrillas fighting for a separate Tamil state were killed in a 72-hour period in pitched battles at Kilinochchi in Northern Province, security sources said. A curfew was imposed on the area.

Thirty rebels were killed in Eastern Province when land, sea and air forces stormed a guerrilla stronghold.

Mr Jayewardene had been due this week to discuss the violence with Mr Romesh Bhandari, a senior Indian Foreign Ministry official, but the talks have been postponed.

The Indian High Commission in Colombo said that Mr Bhandari's visit was put off "owing to unforseen developments" and fresh dates would be announced. It did not elaborate.

Reports from India said that Mr Bhandari had reached Madras, where he had talks with Tamil leaders, on his way to Colombo before the visit was called off.

● **Kidnapped Briton:** A senior official of the British High Commission in Colombo has flown to Jaffna in *Northern Province to help* with the release of the kidnapped British freelance journalist, Mrs Penelope Willis (Vijitha Yapa writes). Mrs Willis, aged 64, was kidnapped by Tamil guerrillas of the Eelam Revolutionary Organization of Students (Eros) on January 17 at Mullativu in north-eastern Sri Lanka. The guerrillas accuse her of being a spy.

On Sunday they released a five-page document in which they said that Mrs Willis had seen a number of people involved with security in Colombo. They also released a photocopy of an identity card showing that she is a member of the Royal United Service Institution for Defence Studies.

Omani pitfalls of marriage to foreigners

Muscat, Oman (AP) - *Omani* citizens who marry foreigners will be stripped of their nationality, the Ministry of the Interior has announced.

The announcement excepted from the punishment citizens marrying nationals from any of the six countries that make up the Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC), Oman, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Qatar.

The Interior Minister, Mr Badr bin Saud bin Hareb, told reporters the ruling was in line with an amendment of the Nationality Law, which went into effect on February 1.

Omanis who married foreigners would be violating the new law and stood to lose their nationality and forfeit the right of their children to Omani citizenship.

He listed "three specific circumstances" in which Omanis could marry foreigners – people over the age of 60, disabled persons and people marrying citizens from the other GCC states.

Romania puts lock on dissident typewriters

From Richard Bassett, Vienna

Forced to endure shortages of food and fuel unparalleled in Eastern Europe, long-suffering Romanians must now subject their typewriters to the rigours of bureaucracy.

Typewriter owners who do not register their machines with the police will face stiff fines and risk having their machines confiscated, Romanian newspapers warned.

The warning was part of a well-orchestrated press campaign to enforce a law passed in 1983 banning the possession of unlicensed typewriters in Romania.

The law, also prohibiting private ownership of telex machines and photocopiers, has been enforced more in recent months following an increased circulation of Hungarian dissident material in Transylvania and the Banat in western Romania.

The official Romanian daily in Timisoara this week printed instructions on how to register typewriters, saying owners would also have to *sign* an undertaking that under no circumstances would their machines be lent or hired to anyone else.

Hungarians hit bottle

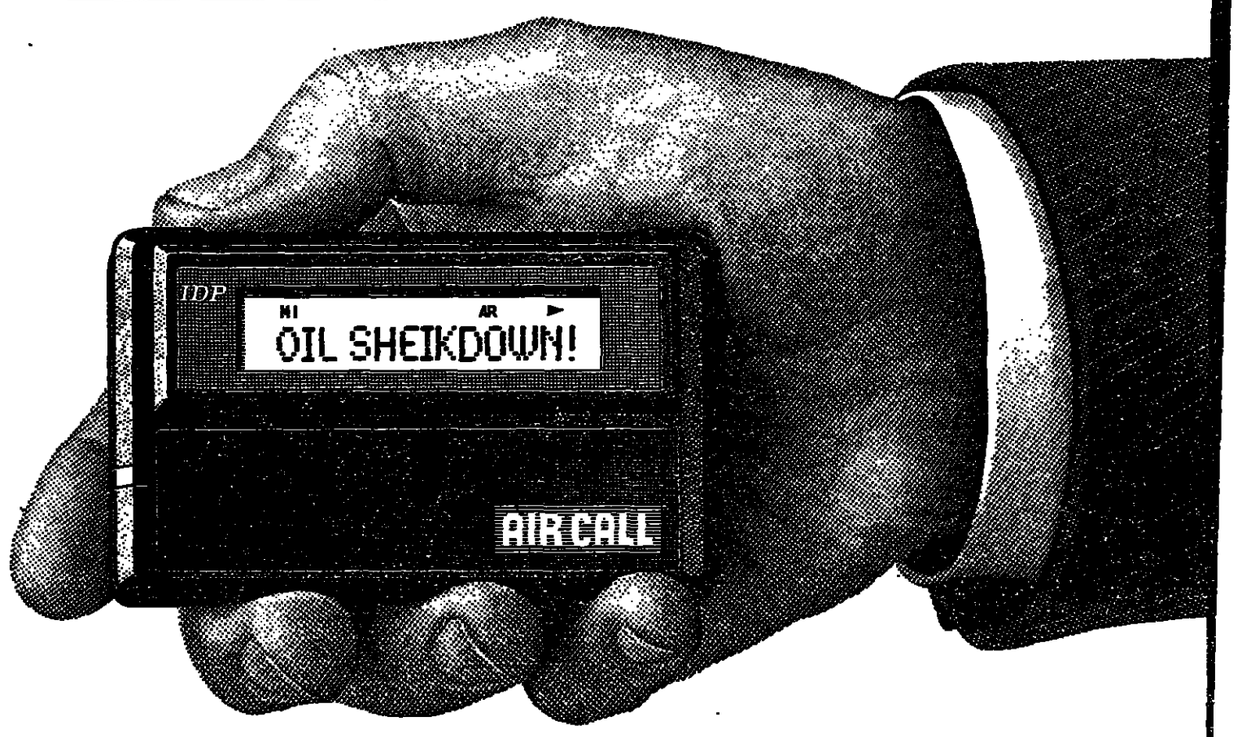
Vienna - Hungarians lead the world as consumers of hard spirits, the Hungarian daily *Magyar Hirlap* reported yesterday (Richard Bassett writes).

Last year the average Hungarian consumed 4.8 litres of spirits as well as 89 litres of beer and 33 litres of wine.

Hungary, unlike any other country in Central Europe, has unlimited access, at reasonable prices, to some of the best alcohol produced on either side of the Iron Curtain; beer from Bohemia, wine from Tokay and whisky and gin from the west.

The report said Hungarians on average spend more than a tenth of their monthly income on alcohol.

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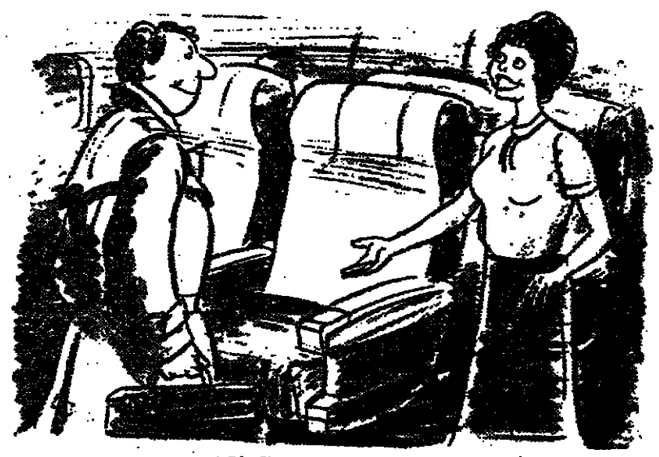
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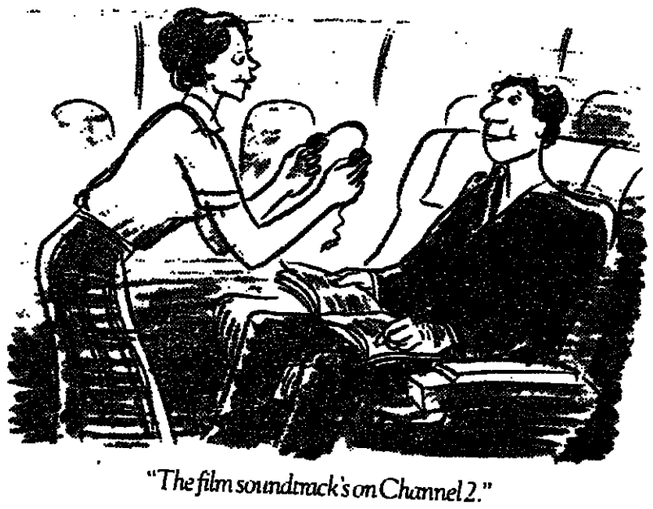
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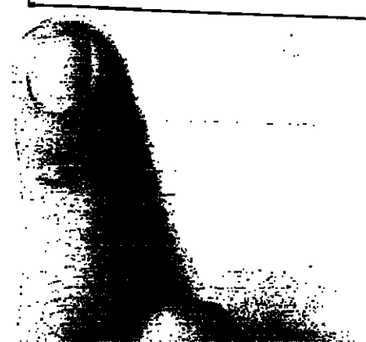
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Day of truth for González over Spanish poll on Nato

From Our Own Correspondent, Madrid

Señor Felipe González, the Spanish Prime Minister, goes before Parliament today to defend his decision to hold a referendum on membership of Nato after hesitation and confusion that has damaged his image and strained the unity of his party and the trade unions.

When a centre-right government in Madrid took Spain into Nato in 1982, it calculated that the Socialists would never be able to take the country out again. It may still prove to have been right, but it reckoned without Señor González, then leader of the Opposition.

To ensure enough votes for victory in the general election that autumn, he inserted into the party manifesto a promise to hold a referendum on future membership if he won. Today that commitment catches up with him.

With the Socialist MPs' discipline and their big majority, there is no doubt that the referendum for March 12 will go through, but the three-day debate signals the opening of a campaign full of risks for the Government to convince Spaniards, and especially Socialist supporters, to vote "Yes", overcoming a powerful tradition of non-involvement in Spain.

Citizens will be asked now to approve Spain in the Atlantic Alliance (not "Nato", which has strong emotional overtones) provided, as the González Government now requires of its Nato partners, there is no integration in Nato's military commands, non-nuclear status for Spain, and a progressive reduction by the United States of its forces here.

But the Opposition, led by Señor Manuel Fraga, has got itself in an equal fix. Really wanting full integration, Señor Fraga will nevertheless urge his supporters to abstain. The aim is to invalidate the referendum, nicknamed by the Opposition "confoundendum". Yet the Government maintains that it is "utterly serious" about leaving the alliance if it loses.

Privately, managers of Spain's two main parties admit that, on Nato, they do not control their own followers. Party membership of both accounts, anyway, for less than 400,000 of more than 27 million people eligible to vote.

All the polls show Spaniards widely divided on Nato, with many still undecided.

The Spanish press hardly helps. It sees the Nato debate not as an opportunity for educating the public about world realities after decades of isolation, but to parade ideological differences.

Spain's bishops, divided over Nato, have been obliged to tell Roman Catholics that they must vote "in conscience". This will hurt Señor Fraga.

Spanish industrialists know that their country's high-technology needs require Spain to be in Nato. Señor Narcis Ferra, the Defence Minister, has emphasized this, but has told the service chiefs to stay out of the referendum debate.

The Nato issue is more complex in Spain than in other European countries. Public opinion reflects the same worries about the risks of involvement in nuclear mass destruction. But anti-Nato sentiment also stems from Spanish history. As Señor González has put it: "The United States never liberated us from Franco but helped him stay in power after World War II".

To galvanize the reluctant working-class vote, Señor González has mobilized party members now holding public office. Their jobs, and his, are on the line, he has warned.

The Government's problems give a golden opportunity to the Communists to seek to recover their ascendancy over the left, and they are behind big demonstrations planned throughout the referendum run-up.

First 100 days' rule outlined by Aquino

From David Watts
Manila

In a packed hotel ballroom, Mrs Corazon Aquino, the opposition presidential candidate, yesterday outlined her programme for the first 100 days of rule in the Philippines, with an emphasis on eliminating traces of the "Pharoah" who had enslaved the country for 20 years, her opponent President Marcos.

Mrs Aquino received a rapturous response to what is likely to be her main campaign statement.

For most of the time she sounded like the victor already acknowledging success, a device clearly intended to convince the many waverers within the ruling New Society Movement that there is no stopping her bandwagon. She was repeatedly interrupted by applause in an address full of purple passages about the "pyramid of disgrace" that President Marcos had built.

Mrs Aquino promised to dismantle the monopoly hold that friends of Mr Marcos have over the coconut and sugar industry. She also plans to negotiate better terms for the Philippines foreign debt of $25.6 billion (£18.2 billion) and the postponement of import liberalization measures.



Mrs Corazon Aquino, the opposition's candidate in the Philippines presidential election, at lunch in Manila.

Marcos still holds all the aces to preserve dynasty

In his second article on the Philippines presidential election, DAVID WATTS reports from Manila on the likely outcome and post-election prospects.

President Ferdinand Marcos is not in the habit of losing elections.

Until the 1984 parliamentary elections, he looked almost unassailable. But that election proved that where the opposition could monitor the count and ensure its version of the tally got out quickly to the public, government manipulation of the results could be limited.

Since then the emotive figure of Mrs Corazon Aquino has become a powerful symbol of the opposition; so powerful that Mr Marcos tried to persuade the Supreme Court to declare the election unconstitutional. He failed, but that does not mean he will not find some other way to maintain the influence of the Marcos family should the polls go against him on Friday.

His options are almost limitless because of his power to change the composition of the New Society Movement (KBL) ticket until noon of election day.

Both sides know that history is coming to the boil.

At risk for the Marcos clan is the future of its dynasty. For the opposition and the public at large, this may be the last opportunity both for peaceful change and to prevent what could develop into an irrevocable slide into a people's democratic republic.

Reviewing the spectrum of Filipino opinion, it is hard to find a sector of society that is



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not ready for change. The business sector was one of the first to come out against Mr Marcos. Electioneering titbits, like promises to reduce interest rates and a cut in the price of petrol, have not been enough to change many minds so far.

The strength of Mrs Aquino's following in Manila is somewhat taken for granted, but appearances can be misleading. Last week in the capital, two polls were taken among students at the middle class Jose Rizal College. In the first, a show-of-hands ballot, Mrs Aquino was an 80-20 winner, but in a secret ballot it was much closer at 60-40.

This false band-wagon effect may go some way to discount opposition claims about the size of its plurality.

More sensitive is the attitude of the military and of the small reform movement within it whose dislike of Mr Marcos is already well known.

The military has by and large stayed out of Filipino politics and the American revelations about the faked elements of Mr Marcos's war record have embarrassed and dishonoured it. But the real test of the military's loyalty may come after the election if an unpopular Marcos victory brings unrest and an order to suppress it.

Two other clear stances, one foreign and one domestic, make Mr Marcos's position increasingly precarious: the US Government has indicated it is time for a change of leader and so has the Roman Catholic Church. Never before has the Church, which has great influence in the Philippines, come out with such a forceful and unified message: without naming her, it clearly indicates its preference for Mrs Aquino.

It is not clear whether all this will be sufficient to give Mrs Aquino victory. As the opposition says, she may win the vote but Mr Marcos may win the count. If that proves true, the immediate future is bleak.

Concluded

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE

Philippines: Alberto de la Cruz

By Caroline Moorehead

Alberto de la Cruz is a farmer and traditional healer. Some time in the early summer of 1982 he was among at least 26 people, most of them farmers and members of rural self-help groups, who were arrested in the Balamban and Asturias areas of Cebu and charged with rebellion, as alleged members of the New People's Army — the armed branch of the Communist Party of the Philippines.

Rural organizations are frequently accused of involvement with the NPA, which is active in the countryside.

All but five of the original 26 prisoners are reported to have obtained their release by pleading guilty. One died. Alberto de la Cruz and the three others who first came to trial later in 1982 are said to have been intimidated into confessing involvement with the NPA, but all four have since retracted their statements. They remain in jail.

Despite pressure on them to plead guilty, they have written to friends: "We are prepared to sacrifice the rest of our lives rather than plead guilty. God knows that we are innocent."



Alberto de la Cruz: charged with rebellion.

Advice on a loveless marriage

Peking (UPI) - Chinese newspaper readers are urging a 39-year-old woman who refuses to grant her husband a divorce after 13 years of sexless, loveless marriage to face reality and "look for new love", according to the official *China Daily*.

Both the woman and her husband have threatened to commit suicide if they lose the divorce case — but the Chinese public has so far largely sided with the husband.

"The relationship deteriorated when the wife suffered from an illness which ended their sex life and shattered their hopes of having a child," *China Daily* said.

The couple lived together "without sex or mutual affection" for 13 years. The husband finally filed for divorce in 1983, over his wife's violent objection. She later agreed to divorce him, but only if he paid her 30,000 yuan, or £6,400.

In letters to *China Daily*, readers urged the woman to "face reality, to try to break out of the tragedy and to look for new love".

Pack ice halts Greenpeace plan for base

Sydney (Reuter) - The Greenpeace Antarctic expedition was heading for New Zealand yesterday after abandoning equipment for a planned base camp because of impenetrable pack ice, the expedition director said.

"We simply can't get in — it's unsafe," Mr Peter Wilkinson said.

The 35-man crew had hoped to reach a site on Ross Island to unload equipment and supplies after thick ice forced them to give up plans to build a camp to support Greenpeace's campaign to declare the continent a world park.

"It is a prudent withdrawal and without a doubt we will be back next summer to build the camp," Mr Wilkinson said.

Women vote woman in

Vaduz, Liechtenstein (UPI) - Women who voted here for the first time at the weekend promptly helped to elect the first woman to Liechtenstein's 15-member Parliament.

Men in the 27,000-strong principality, wedged between Switzerland and Austria, voted in 1984 to give women their say in national elections.

The composition of the new Parliament was unchanged. The National Union Party kept power with eight seats and the People's Progressive Party stayed in opposition with seven seats.

Mrs Emma Eigenmann, the first female deputy, belongs to the opposition.

A new Liberal Party failed to win the eight per cent of all votes required for representation.

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The Pope's visit to India

Mother Teresa's happiest day

From Michael Hamlyn
Calcutta

Just as the sun was sinking over Calcutta's fetid pools and teeming slums, the Pope visited the woman who perhaps more than any other has come to symbolize the Roman Catholic church in India.

The tiny founder of the sisterhood she called the Missionaries of Charity, brown and wrinkled as a walnut, waited anxiously for more than an hour for the Pope to arrive in the gleaming white Land-Rover with a bullet-proof glass tower known as the Popemobile.

Mother Teresa, overjoyed to welcome him to the people she earlier called "the poorest of the poor", clambered aboard his vehicle and sank to her knees kissing his hand. The Pope bent and kissed the top of her head.

Then she led him inside *Nirmal Hriday*. The name means simply Sacred Heart, the home she founded in October 1950 for the destitute dying. The home is in a wing of the Temple of Kali, the Goddess of Destruction, which she was offered on a temporary basis 36 years ago.

Yesterday there were still inside the home 42 men and 44 women being cared for by Mother Teresa's white sari-clad sisterhood. The Pope gave their evening meal to five of the patients, and offered a prayer, calling on God to bless the dying.

"Bless those who will soon meet you face-to-face," the Pope prayed. "We believe you have made death the gateway to eternal life."

"I have never seen the Holy Father so moved," said a member of the Vatican staff accompanying the Pope. "When Mother Teresa asked him a question he was simply unable to speak."



A joyful Mother Teresa being embraced by the Pope as he arrived at her Sacred Heart home for the dying in the slums of Calcutta as part of his tour of India.

The Pope tried to feed one of the dying patients, and kissed and embraced several more, both men and women.

As for Mother Teresa, she said it was "the happiest day of my life". She declared: "It is a wonderful thing for the people, for his touch is the touch of Christ."

Afterwards the Pope addressed a short homily from a platform erected in the street outside.

"*Nirmal Hriday* is a place of hope", he said. "A house built on courage and faith, a home where love reigns, a home filled with love".

The Pope also offered prayers for two inmates, an old woman and a young child, who had not been able to wait to see him, but had died earlier in the day.

Earlier yesterday the Pope was welcomed to the poorest, most depressed area of India and declared that the Church insisted on a "just wage for workers, a wage that takes into account the needs of their family".

Then to the densely-populated state of Bihar, where rivalries are such that one caste recently wiped out an entire village of a rival but inferior caste.

The Pope met half a million *Adivasis*, the bottom of the social heap in India. They are the tribals — the name *Adivasi* means aboriginal — and are descendents of those dark-skinned people who arrived in the sub-continent thousands of years before the arrival of even the Dravidian people of the Southern Plateau. To say nothing of the comparatively latecoming Brahmin-led Aryans with their paler skins and rigid class distinctions.

The *Adivasis* have welcomed Christianity as a relief from the oppression of the upper castes, and the church that the Pope was anxious to present to them was the working-class Church.

"Jesus Christ was a carpenter's son," the Pope said as he celebrated Mass under brilliant spring sunshine. "He worked for the greater part of his life in the same trade as his foster father, Joseph. By working, Jesus proclaimed in the ordinary activities of his daily life the dignity of work."

The tribal people welcomed the Pope by washing his feet and hands and by having him walk on a series of baskets to the rostrum. They danced for him to the sound of the tribal mander drum.

The Pope responded by saying that his heart went out especially to the unemployed, who want to work but can't "because of discrimination based on religion, caste, community or language".

Police in Ranchi, the chief town of the largely tribal area, said that 35 arrests had been made before the Pope's arrival to forestall possible trouble.

Fleeing Ugandan troops turn to halt NRA push

From Richard Dowden, Kizibu Masindi, Uganda

Uganda's National Resistance Army has been halted in its northward advance near this village, 15 miles north of Masindi.

The NRA, in effect the new government Army, is facing an estimated 900 Uganda National Liberation Army (UNLA) troops from the former regime who have occupied Kigumba, a road junction two miles from what is the last village before the strategic Karuma Falls bridge over the Nile.

The 900 UNLA soldiers are the remnants of the garrison from north of Kampala who fled but decided to take a stand at Kigumba, where the road from Kampala meets the road from Masindi. The NRA has occupied Masindi Port and Paraa at both ends of the Victoria Nile, and have cut the road from Kampala.

They were waiting on Sunday to catch the rest of the fleeing troops still struggling up the road from Kampala before attacking Kigumba and advancing to the Nile. At Masindi Port, where the Nile is about half a mile wide, the fleeing soldiers had taken the ferry and left it on the far bank while others had crossed in dug-out canoes, leaving their heavy weapons behind.

About 50 young NRA soldiers here were crouched in the elephant grass in a hollow each side of the road just north of the village. They were very tired but alert. The only cape they had was laid over their light machinegun and rocket-propelled grenade launcher. It is difficult to remember that they are now the Government Army and not a guerrilla band. There is only a low rise between them and Kigumba, and the soldiers were very tense. There had been skirmishes earlier in the day, but the NRA will not attack until its rear is secure and it has more troops here.

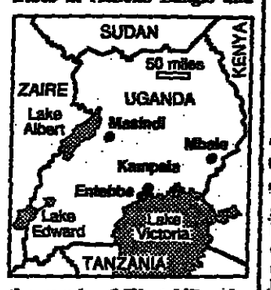
Families from villages caught up in the fighting were trudging down the road to Masindi, carrying their scant possessions in bundles on their heads. They brought tales of atrocities and looting by the NRA troops.

One said that four villagers had been burnt alive when one of them refused to give petrol to the soldiers. Others said that the troops at Kigumba were divided among themselves; some wanting to stand and fight, others to continue north. One report said that Acholi troops had blocked the bridge and were forcing their colleagues to turn back south and fight the NRA.

David Cinyefuza, the commander of the Western Brigade of the NRA, said that he would press on over the Nile as soon as the NRA had taken Karuma Falls. A quiet, thoughtful young man who was a policeman until he joined the NRA, Mr Cinyefuza said that he would use the same tactic on the other side of the Nile as he had used until now.

"There are some people here from that side who are sympathetic to us and we will send them across first to tell the people we are friendly and will not harm anybody," he said. "We will tell those soldiers to surrender and then when all is prepared we will move in."

But the Nile crossing will test NRA tactics. So far the NRA has operated in the west and south among its own people, who have been friendly. In the north they will encounter the Nilotic tribes at Acholis Laogis and



the people of West Nile who comprised the bulk of the former Army.

Idi Amin, Obote and Tito Okello all came from these areas and ruled through the dominance of their tribes. The NRA's policy of being a liberating disciplined army on the side of the peasants will be set against traditional tribal loyalties.

At Masindi, the NRA was holding about 302 prisoners, of whom 120 were from the Uganda National Rescue Front, the guerrilla group which operated in West Nile in support of Idi Amin after his overthrow, and which joined forces with the Okello regime after the coup in July last year. The NRA overran Masindi on Thursday last week.

Briton dies in holiday isle fire

Madrid - A 34-year-old Wolverhampton man was among seven people, four of them children, who died when a fire swept through a holiday chalet in San José, Ibiza, on Saturday night (Richard Wigg writes).

Police said John Walter Spittle had arrived that day and was staying with a Dutch couple, who also died in the fire with their two children aged seven and four.

The fire was discovered when a Swiss couple went to the chalet to collect their six-year-old twins who had been staying there and found them dead. Police suspect the blaze began at a wicker table near an open fire.

Beirut bomb kills nine

Beirut (AFP, Reuter) - At least nine people were killed and six were injured when a bomb hidden in a handbag exploded in a busy street in northern Beirut, in the fifth attack in a Christian area in four days.

The bomb was apparently intended for an office of President Gemayel's Phalange party near by. The Voice of Lebanon radio station appealed for blood donors.

Grim secret of Canberra lake

Canberra (Reuter) - Blood and human remains have been flowing unseen into the ornamental lake in the centre of Australia's capital for the last 30 years, according to city health officials.

Refuse washed from the tables of Canberra's morgue after post mortems has been directed down drains wrongly connected to a stormwater system instead of a sewer.

Suitcase body

Warsaw (Reuter) - Police hunting the killers of a taxman, whose dismembered body was found in two suitcases, have arrested a man and woman he visited just before disappearing last month. They owed more than 12,000 zlotys (£50) in arrears.

Euro MP held

Brussels (AFP) - Mrs Anne-Marie Lizin, a Belgian Socialist member of the European Parliament, and Mr Jean-Paul Procureur, a journalist, are being held in Algeria accused of travelling on false passports with the intention of smuggling out three children removed from their Belgian mother in defiance of a court order.

Rodent bounty

Dhaka (Reuter) - Bangladesh, suffering from chronic food shortages, has launched a six-week campaign to hunt down rodents which it says destroy crops worth nearly £350 million every year. The Government is offering a bounty worth about £7 for the bodies of every 1,000 rodents killed.

Ordered out

Johannesburg (Reuter) - Lesotho's new military rulers have expelled 19 North Korean technicians, the South African Press Association reported. It said the group, engaged in agricultural projects and reconstruction of the national stadium, were flown out on Sunday.

Final fling

Wellington (Reuter) - Circus knife-thrower Jenny Conway admitted she was "a little rusty" after hitting her partner in the arm during their act in Rotorua. Her partner, Larry Roper, said: "It's the third time she's hit me — there will never be a fourth."

Heart implant

Pittsburgh (Reuter) - A 39-year-old man from western Pennsylvania who had a heart attack two weeks ago has been given a Jarvik-7 artificial heart until a human transplant can be found, officials at the Presbyterian-University Hospital said.

Death penalty

Peking (Reuter) - A man in the north-east China city of Shenyang who slashed the breasts and buttocks of 25 women with a fruit knife has been sentenced to death, the *Shenyang Daily* newspaper said.

Tribal clash

Khartoum (Reuter) - At least 13 people were killed and scores wounded in tribal fighting in the Red Sea city of Port Sudan over the weekend, Khartoum newspapers reported.

Lima blackout

Lima (AFP) - The Peruvian capital was blacked out yesterday after a string of explosions brought down electricity pylons.

2,000 held in protest

Delhi (Reuter) - Police yesterday arrested 2,000 demonstrators protesting at sharp rises in petrol and food prices.

Only about 200 protesters escaped arrest as police moved in to stop a noisy column marching on the office of Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, to present a memorandum against the increases.

The Government last week increased the prices of rice, wheat and petroleum products by between 25 and 40 per cent.

Europe firm on sanctions

From Jan Raath, Harare

The first meeting between the foreign ministers of the southern African front line states and the European Commission began in Lusaka, the Zambian capital, yesterday, with the Europeans firmly resisting pressure for intensified action against South Africa.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, set the tone when he told delegates from the front line states of Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe and the 12 EEC countries that it would be wrong to increase pressure on South Africa now when there were some signs of change

Referring to the speech to the South African Parliament last week by President Botha, Sir Geoffrey said the signs were still "desperately slow", but that the process of change should be encouraged.

Earlier, Mr Haus van den Broek, the Foreigh Minister of The Netherlands, which holds the presidency of the EEC Council of Ministers, said in a speech at the meeting's opening in Lusaka's Mulungushi Hall, that the body was not now prepared to move beyond the limited package of sanctions imposed on South Africa. But he accused South Africa of being the "fundamental obstacle" to to peace in the region.

President Kaunda of Zambia made an emotional appeal at the opening for comprehensive economic sanctions, and warned the Europeans that their investments in South Africa would "go up in flames" before long because of the impending conflagration there.

Angolan ministers sacked

Luanda (Reuter) - President Eduardo Dos Santos of Angola has sacked three members of his Cabinet and named three super-ministers to oversee several departments.

Political sources said those dismissed were: Mr Evaristu Domingos, the Minister of Provincial Co-ordination, better known by his guerrilla nickname "Kimba"; Mr Diogenes de Assis Boavida, the Minister of Justice; and, Mr Horacio Perreira Brás da Silva, the Minister for Labour and Social Security.

Mr Pedro Van-Dúnem, the Minister for Oil and Energy better known as "Loy", now takes on the additional role of Minister of State.

Mr Kundi Payama, the Benguela Provincial Commissar and, like Loy, a full member of the Politburo of the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA), takes on the responsibility for inspection and state control.

Mr Maria Mambo Cafeh, a candidate member of the MPLA Politburo, is now responsible for overseeing planning, finance, labour and social security.

Leaders of Greece and Turkey meet at last

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

The Greek Prime Minister, Mr Andreas Papandreou, and his Turkish counterpart, Mr Turgut Ozal, met for the first time and shook hands cordially at the weekend — but they had no opportunity to discuss the issues of Cyprus or the Aegean.

They took part in a round-table session at the Davos IMF world economic forum, seated either side of the chairman, Mr Gaston Thorn. With them was Mr Malcolm Baldridge, the US Commerce Secretary.

After Mr Papandreou had said that the EEC needed a common industrial policy, Mr Ozal asked if he wanted something like the EEC Common Agricultural Policy, with its much-criticized subsidies. Mr Papandreou agreed that CAP discriminated against southern Europe's farmers

The two leaders' predecessors, Mr Constantin Karamanlis and Mr Bulent Ecevit, met at a Montreux conference in March 1978 to discuss issues dividing them.

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Costa Rica goes for youth

From Martha Honey
San José

Dr Oscar Arias Sánchez, the centre-left candidate of the ruling National Liberation Party (PLN), has been elected President of Costa Rica.

He gained 53.6 per cent of the votes in Sunday's elections, against about 45 per cent for his chief opponent, Señor Rafael Calderón Fournier, of the more conservative Social Christian Unity Party.

Seõr Calderón, who ran a well-financed campaign, is said to have been preferred by big business, the United States and anti-Sandinista Nicaraguans living in Costa Rica.

Dr Arias's victory is notable in several respects. At 45, he becomes Costa Rica's youngest President. Also for the first time, a woman, Señora Victoria Garrón Orozco, was elected as one of the two Vice-Presidents.

In his victory speech, Dr Arias said he would enforce Costa Rica's policy of neutrality and would be inflexible with the Nicaraguan exiles who have been using Costa Rica clandestinely as a rear base for attacks on their homeland.



Dr Arias of Costa Rica celebrating his election victory.

He expressed support for the four-nation Contadora group, which has been seeking a negotiated settlement to the Nicaraguan and other regional problems.

In recent months Dr Arias emerged as the "peace candidate" and began to edge ahead of Señor Calderón in the polls. According to one public opinion poll, peace was the main issue. The polls consistently show that more than 80 per cent of Costa Ricans favour neutrality, oppose building an Army and do not want their country used by foreign troops or Contras to attack Nicaragua.

In his speech, Dr Arias also pledged to work to renegotiate Costa Rica's $45 billion (£31 billion) foreign debt, one of the highest per capita in the world. He proposed that Costa Rica should in future pay less than 25 per cent of each dollar received in foreign aid to service the debt.

The new President is a lawyer and economist educated at the University of Essex and the London School of Economics. He has served as Minister of Planning in a previous Government, a member of the Legislative Assembly, and Secretary General of the National Liberation Party.

Flaws in Soviet arms offer details

From Frederick Bonnart
Brussels

The text of the Soviet arms control proposals tabled at Geneva at the beginning of the present round of negotiations shows several inconsistencies with the public statement made by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov on January 15.

The Nato council was briefed yesterday by the three American negotiators at Geneva, Mr Max Kampelman, Mr John Tower and Mr Maynard Glitman. They have been examining the fine print of the Soviet offer, which had originally given a certain amount of encouragement in that it covered some common ground with the American proposals.

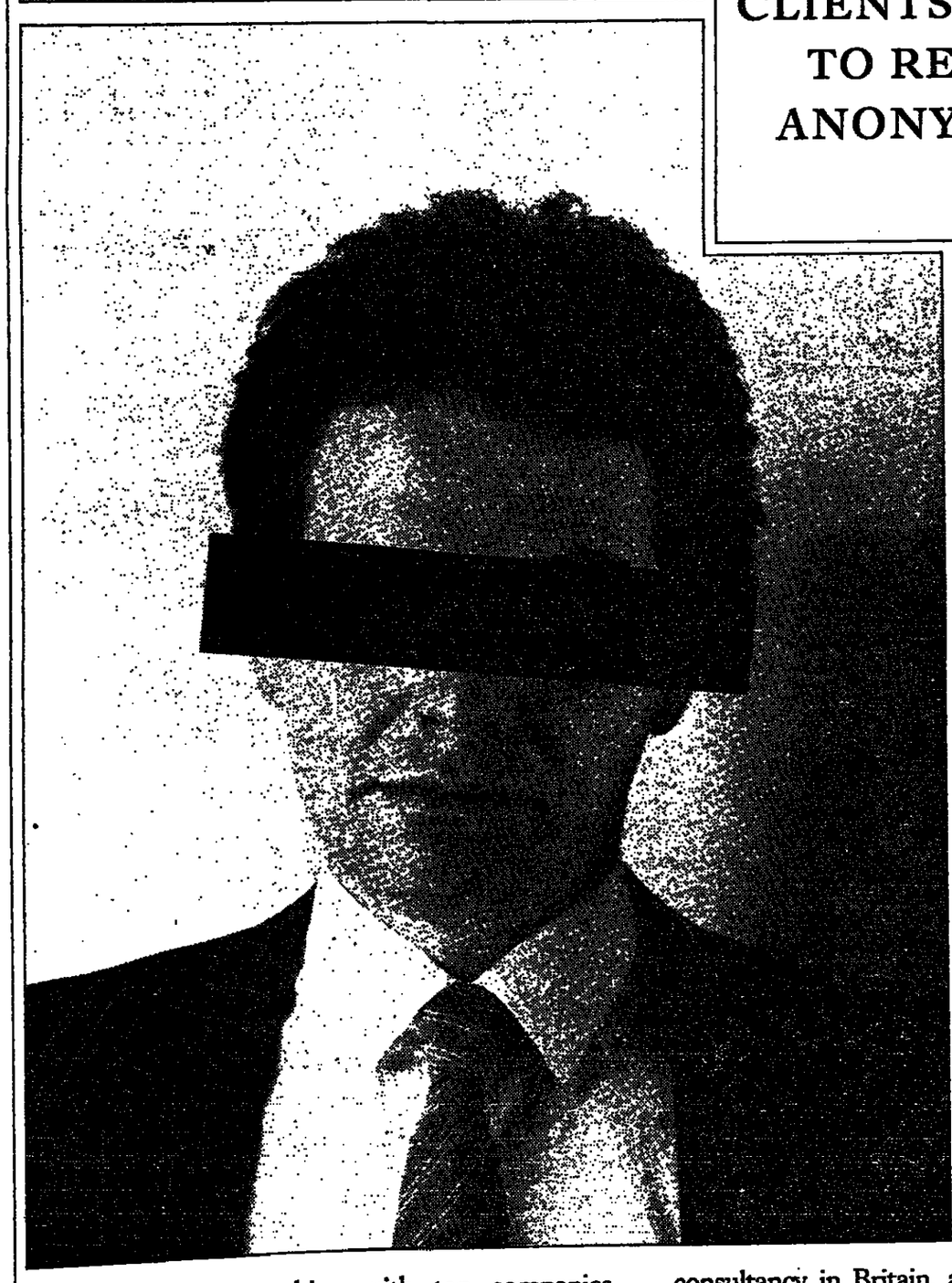
But a senior Nato diplomat pointed out that there were elements of linkage, in particular with the American Strategic Defence Initiative, which were unacceptable. Although Mr Gorbachov had refrained from mentioning the research aspect of SDI, it is not clear whether Russia is willing to accept it, even though Soviet research continues into similar fields.

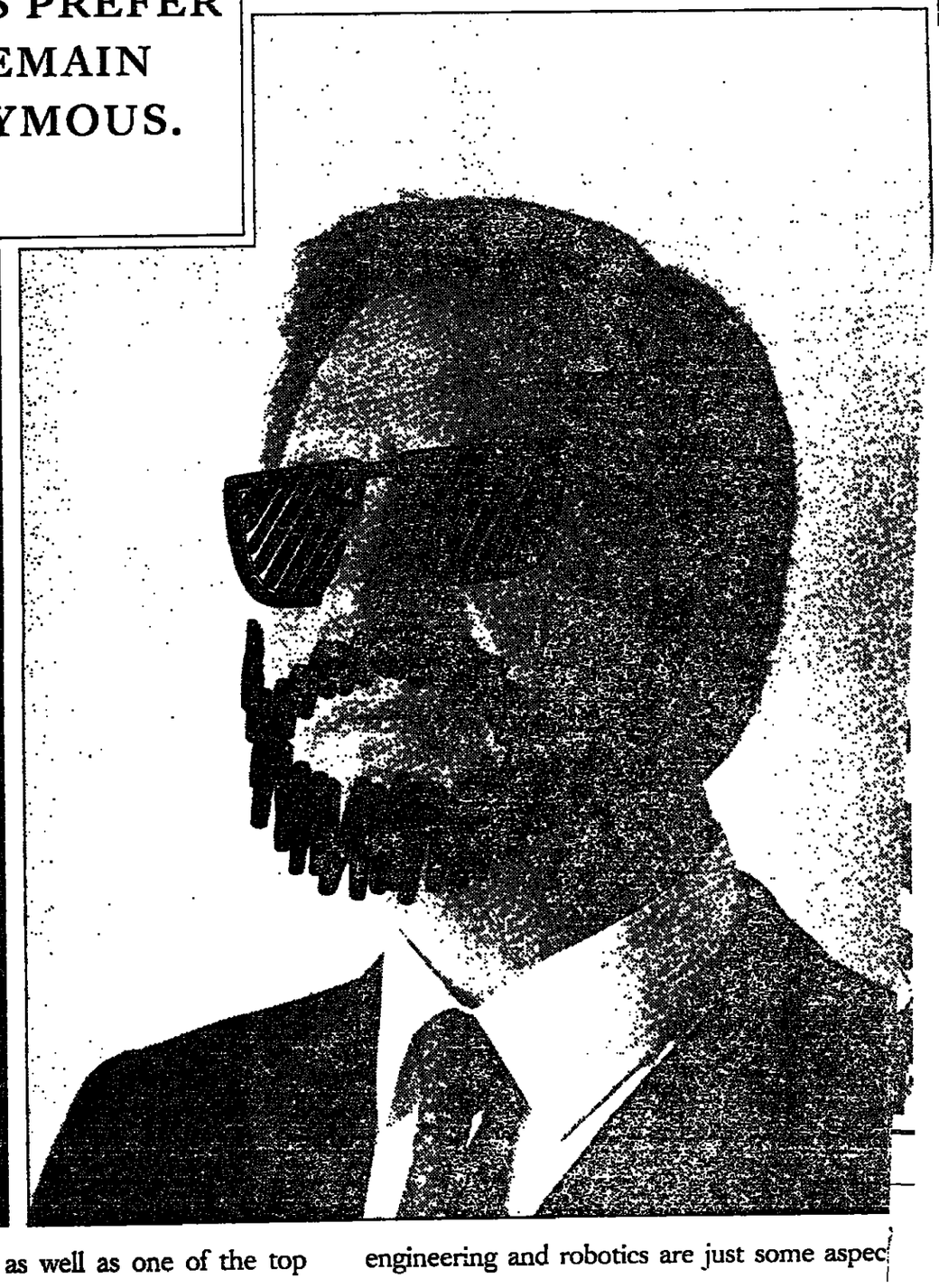
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Two faces of Farmer Giles

If public image was a crop, farmers would reap a poor harvest. The once highly-regarded ruddy-cheeked honest toilers of old are now seen as wicked despoilers of the countryside. Yet the reality of farm life is very different with contrasts even between close neighbours

Photomontage by Michael Barnett



The typical British farmer does not exist. He may be anything from a millionaire landowner, squire of a hereditary great estate, to a tenant scratching a living from tending a flock of sheep on a remote Celtic hillside.

Even in the countryside farmers have become less conspicuous as their numbers have progressively declined. Once highly regarded as honest toilers, the salt of the earth, they are now more commonly seen as subsidized "whingers", paid to produce food which no one wants to buy, chopping down trees and ripping out hedges, polluting the earth with agro-chemicals, and doing all they can to deny their fellow citizens access to the countryside.

Almost everything said about them, good or bad, is an exaggeration, for the simple reason that they cannot be grouped in a single category. Even among close neighbours it is possible to find sharp contrasts in circumstances and outlook.

Peter Sowray, for example, grows wheat, barley, oilseed rape, potatoes and feed peas on 400 acres of the Vale of York between Boroughbridge and Easingwold. The land is rented from the Crown Estate – as long ago as 1969 he was chosen from more than 200 applicants, probably, he thinks, because he was a local lad, brought up on the farm next door – and he has since bought a further 100 acres of his own about nine miles away.

He is a pleasant, philosophical Yorkshireman, well aware that the peace and comfort of his daily life, and the beauty of his surroundings, more than compensate for occasional frustrations.

Although not wealthy compared with the hereditary owners of thousands of acres, he is happy to admit that his is an enviable existence. Of his three children the eldest, a daughter, is at Newcastle Polytechnic; his 18-year-old son, Robert, has just started at an agricultural college in York, and the younger daughter is still at school and "mad about ponies".

There is time enough for holidays and for social life, including occasional visits to theatres in York or Harrogate. He concedes that, apart from a few frantic weeks at harvest time, it is not a particularly arduous life. In addition to help from his son in the holidays, he employs two men full time.

Farmers as a social group are surprisingly prone to suicide and mental illness, and Peter mentions a neighbour who recently hanged himself.

"You get this image of the happy, bucolic, ruddy-cheeked Farmer Giles, but some people are just not cut out for the life, and it's very easy to get depressed when things go wrong.

"As farmers we've had a bad press in the past couple of years, and perhaps we're oversensitive to criticism. But I still think we're misunderstood. Everyone thinks that farming is riddled with subsidies, but in fact the return on capital is ridiculously low. It's a good life but not as easy or rolling in money as some believe."

A few miles away Geoff Hudson is not so sure about the good life. Now in his mid-50s, he keeps a herd of 49 Holstein and crossbred dairy cows and heifers on 75 acres rented from North Yorkshire County Council. He has the help of his wife Anne and his son Stephen, aged 19, although since the imposition of dairy quotas there has not been enough work to employ Stephen full time, and he has had to seek casual work elsewhere.

"We're getting paid less for milk than we were a year ago, but the housewife isn't paying any less", he says. "She's paying 23p or 24p a pint, which I'm told is the highest in Europe, and I'm getting 6p. Somebody in between is making a lot of money.

"All our milk goes to Associated Dairies in Leeds, and they're the people who are building all these hypermarkets out of the profits they've made from milk. The man who does the local milk round makes twice as much money as I do, new car, foreign holidays and all the rest."

For Geoff and Anne there are no foreign trips, just a one-week busman's holiday, a series of farm visits organized by the British Holstein Society. Anne describes their present life as a treadmill.

Despite his difficulties, Geoff talks happily about his three daughters, the youngest an Army physical training instructor who has climbed in the Himalayas.

He has mixed feelings about whether to carry on. "I never felt that milking twice a day was monotonous, so long as we were making money. But in the last two years it's begun to get to us. On the other hand I don't want to go out a beaten man."

Farmers have a long-standing reputation for taking a gloomy view of their circumstances. But there is within the industry an inescapable sense of impending change.

A 43 per cent drop in incomes last year is not quite as bad as it sounds since the Government's definition of farm income is more accurately the profit made after the deduction of costs, rents, and interest charges.

But that may be only the start. After four decades of being cossetted and cushioned, first by the post-war Agricultural Policy, farmers are having to come to terms with both the "green" politics of the late 20th century and market place realities.

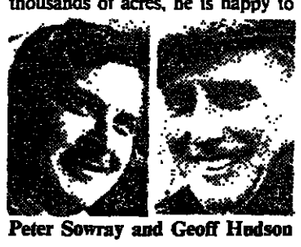
For hardline monetarists that is none too soon. Farming, it is said, is a business like any other. But the recent flood of bankruptcies across the farm belt of the United States has demonstrated the practical and political difficulties of applying undiluted Reaganomics.

Another difficulty is that much of our agricultural policy is now determined in Brussels and not in Whitehall. EEC officials have made it clear that, to cut costs and reduce surpluses, their main aim will still be to protect the small farmers for whom the CAP was originally designed and who are still a significant political force in several member countries.

British farmers, whose holdings are on average twice the size of the next largest in the EEC and whose vote, except in a handful of constituencies, nowadays hardly counts, may feel that they are being left out in the cold.

Most will probably survive the frost, but it is well to remember that in two important senses farming is not just another industry. Not only does it provide our most basic need, but it still shapes the greater part of the landscape in which we live.

John Young



Peter Sowray and Geoff Hudson

FARM FACTS

In the United Kingdom there are more than 46,677,000 acres of farmland, employing more than 500,000 people on nearly 240,300 holdings. There are nearly 13 million cattle and more than 35 million sheep. Crop output is worth more than £3 billion and livestock nearly £4.5 billion. The total net farming income is just over £1 billion but the farmers' average income (including part-time farmers) after deducting costs, rents and interest charges, is £3,966 net.

Source: Government Annual Review of Agriculture 1986. Figures are for June 1985.

Farming is not just another business

Freeing Siberia's frozen assets

Excavating the mineral riches that lay beneath the Soviet perma-frost exacts a ferocious human price

In the words of a famous Russian folk saying: "In Siberia, 40 degrees below zero is not a frost, 100 kilometres is not a journey and half a litre of vodka is not a drink."

The sentiments behind that saying still remain surprisingly true, despite the recent arrival here of hi-tech, jet aircraft, a new railway, Japanese finance, Mikhail Gorbachov's controversial anti-alcohol campaign and discotheques for bored teenagers.

Siberia is still one of the most forbidding and awe-inspiring wildernesses in the world. The use of superlatives seems justified to portray the reality of a region once immortalized by the author Maxim Gorky in his chilling phrase "a land of death and chains".

Although the salt mines have long lost their importance, it is ironic that Siberia, which was for so long associated with the worst kind of human degradation, now holds the power to make the Soviet Union the world's richest country.

Mining of salt continues, but it has been superseded in importance by the hunt for other riches buried in the deep-frozen sub-soil, including 65 per cent of the nation's explored oil resources, 82 per cent of its gas, over 80 per cent of its coal, and diamond deposits so large that the Soviet Union is now the second largest producer after South Africa.

Less widely discussed, but of equal importance, is the strategic value of an area which was the first place selected for the stationing of SS20 missiles. From the Soviet Union's point of view, Siberia's vital defence role stems mainly from its location close to the Chinese border.

It is no secret that the proximity of the old Trans-Siberian railway to the Chinese border was one of the main reasons prompting the Kremlin to sanction the hugely expensive and problematical new line known as BAM (the Baikal-Amur Mainline) in 1974, some 2,000 miles of which are now complete.

As part of Mr Gorbachov's new information policy, a small group of Western reporters were permitted to travel along the newest section of the track for the first time. Known as Mali, or Little Bam, it is scheduled to link the new mainline with the regional capital of Yakutsk in 10 years' time, and to become a major factor in opening up this remote corner.

The ride on single track through miles of uninhabited and inhospitable countryside, provided a graphic reminder of the engineering skills and bravery of the 100,000 Soviet citizens who have so far taken part in the construction.

Much of the work has been done in temperatures as low as minus 60°centigrade, but even at a mere 35 degrees below zero the inter-connecting corridor between coaches was thick with ice.

Like many of the other Siberian industrial enterprises, Bam is a considerable economic risk and stands little chance of becoming cost effective in the lifetime of even such a youthful Kremlin leader as the 54-year-old Mr Gorbachov.

Living conditions are bad, despite the high wages

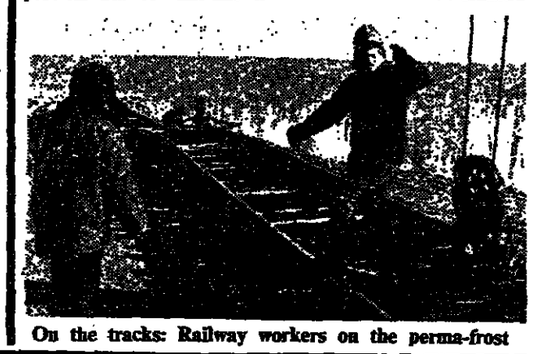
Yet when Mr Gorbachov makes his keynote address to the 27th Communist Party Congress later this month, he will be only too aware that his hopes of rescuing the Soviet Union from economic decline will depend largely on the speed and efficiency with which Siberia can be persuaded to yield its riches.

But the omens for the Kremlin are not good.

Mr Gorbachov paid a significant visit to the largest Soviet oil field at Tyumen last September, and later lambasted the Siberian oil industry bosses for their inefficiency.

And to those who do come to work in Siberia living conditions are not good ,despite the high wages. "What good is money without anything you want in the shops to spend it on?", one recent arrival complained.

Christopher Walker



On the tracks: Railway workers on the perma-frost

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£1 million uncovered

More than a million pounds was given for archaeological digs in the City of London last year; surprisingly, almost all of it by developers.

The Department of Urban Archaeology at the Museum of London has established a cordial relationship with the relatively few firms of architects and developers working in the City, so that "it is not unusual for developers or their agents to telephone the DUA even before they have made a planning application", says Mr John Maloney, the Excavations Officer.

"Developers have come to recognize professional archaeologists as a necessary part of the redevelopment team along with architects, structural and civil engineers and quantity surveyors. They have come to be persuaded that the full cost of excavation is a legitimate charge on the redevelopment budget".

Sometimes, even the archaeologists have been useful to the builders. There have been embarrassing misjudgments of subsurface features from boreholes which have been corrected during excavation.

Working together

Sometimes an unexpected discovery will bring archaeologists, developers and planners together in an effort to resolve a crisis – the most recent example is that of the Flying Chapel of Holy Trinity.

Holy Trinity Priory was founded in 1108 by Matilda, wife of King Henry I, on a site just inside Aldgate.

The Priory Church lay in the southern part of the precinct, adjacent to Leadenhall Street, and recent redevelopment by Speyhawk Estates has revealed part of its remains. The foundations for the south wall of the choir were found, together with almost the whole plan of the south transept, but the surprise came from two chapels, one on the east side of the transept and the other on the south side of the choir aisle.

The former was still standing 12 feet high. The entrance to the second chapel survived as an arch still rising 23 feet above foundation level.

The arch has been known since 1900, and was already protected as a Listed building. The more complete transept chapel was unexpected and unprotected, however. Preserving it in situ would have meant a lot of expensive redesign.

Instead, it was lifted out for later reinstallation. The stones were injected with resin to gum the whole chapel together, the foundations were underpinned, and then the whole package was lifted out.

More masonry

More fragments of medieval masonry have turned up just north of the former home of *The Times* in Blackfriars, where the Priory of the Dominican Black Friars existed from 1276 to 1538. A moulded pier base was found which could be matched with a carved stone found on the site in the 1920s. Together they can be used to reconstruct on paper a fourfold column with a plan like a lucky four-leafed clover.

Sir Christopher Wren recycled medieval masonry from churches burned in the Great Fire of 1666. At Christchurch, Newgate, which was destroyed in the Blitz, the Museum of London has recovered stone mouldings from the Wren church which were in all likelihood window tracery of the medieval Greyfriars, the Franciscan monastery close to St Paul's.

In the church of St Mary-at-Hill, between the Monument and the Tower and close to the start of the fire that gave Wren his great opportunity, it was found that he had incorporated the standing wall of the medieval building into his own.

Glorious mud

The objects found along the Thames frontage, lost in the river mud and often preserved by waterlogging, are among the most important finds from recent work in the City. While some of them are Roman, including a lead alloy seal depicting an elephant with its rider, most date from the Middle Ages.

Metalwork has been recovered in great quantity: the most notable is a complete 14th-century straight trumpet, without valves, made of copper alloy, and found in the foreshore at Billingsgate.

Many metal finds have been made by the Society of Thames Mudlarks and Antiquarians, an amateur group who scour the river banks with metal detectors.

The value of pursuing the quarry to the bitter end was demonstrated by the recovery of a youth's sword, spotted in the half minute between excavating machine and lorry at Billingsgate.

Among the finds preserved by damp were a number of textile fragments, including a 9th-century lozenge twill in wool, from a site at Milk Street, a piece of 14th-century checked cloth from Baynard's Castle, and a rare Islamic silk with Kufic writing found in a cesspit at Holy Trinity Priory by Aldgate.

Rarest of all were two fragments of Chinese silk, found in a dump of the 1340s at Baynard's Castle.

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Walking the Walls

From Roman times until after the Middle Ages the walls of London protected and enclosed the city, and were studded with fortified entrances at places such as Bishopsgate, Moorgate, Ludgate and Aldgate.

The walls, and their gates, have almost entirely vanished. Now a London Wall Walk has been instituted, complete with a guidebook which was published last year.

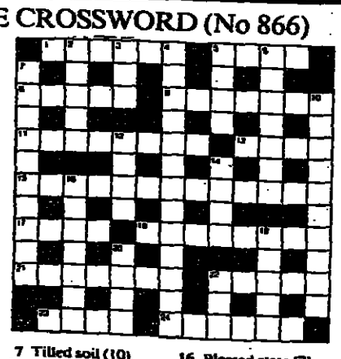
Four years of planning went into the Walk, which consists of a series of illustrated panels strategically placed along the line of the former walls. "It provides the visitor to the City of London with an informed history trail along two thirds of the wall's circuit from the Tower of London to the Museum of London", says Ms Jenny Hall, of the Museum of London.

There are no visible remains beyond the Museum (which lies just west of the Cripplegate Fort on the north-western angle of the circuit) which justify an extension to Blackfriars, she says, but the numbering scheme of the panels will allow new discoveries to be incorporated.

There are 21 blue and white ceramic panels in the Walk, of which the first is the medieval postern gate near the Tower excavated a few years ago, and the fourth a section of the Roman wall and a tower base preserved in a new office block at Vine Street.

Norman Hammond

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17 Personal air (4)
18 Gambler's pot (8)
21 Baseball field (7)
22 Spirit-based drink (5)
23 Stray (4)
24 Prying (5)

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3 Hawthorn (3)
4 Fatty acid compound (13)
5 Hoist (4)
6 Child's rash (7)
7 Tilled soil (10)
10 Devil study (10)
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FASHION by Suzy Menkes

Paris: Re-vive La Différence

Fashion's battle between the sexes is over. The conjunction of the couture and menswear collections in Paris offers a unique opportunity to assess the shape of high fashion in the middle years of the 1980s. The French fashion industry has made a strong push to re-establish itself as the undisputed national leader of style. New show groupings suggest a solidarity of effort that the British fashion industry should envy. A major French promotion at Harrods next month will put French fashion in London centre stage. The message from Paris is that the female woman is back, the peacock male has reverted to more conventional plumage.

Yves Saint Laurent, the king of Paris couture, whose collection last week was the summit of perfection, is distancing himself from his own ready-to-wear.

A senior design assistant has been appointed to take over the Rive Gauche collection under Saint Laurent's direction, while the most influential designer of his generation concentrates on haute couture.

An announcement will be made imminently by Pierre Bergé, Saint Laurent's partner and himself a forceful figure in the French fashion industry. The new arrangement will operate from the designer prêt-à-porter shows in March.

Fifteen years ago, the young Yves Saint Laurent abandoned haute couture for a brief period, announcing that the future of fashion lay in ready-to-wear.

His couture collection last week, cheered to the echo, confounded his own prediction and crowned an impressive fashion week.

Saint Laurent's success came from his perfection of cut and line that made his new fitted suit jackets and bias-cut crepe dresses look so deceptively simple. He also has an absolutely sure touch with colour, brightening a black suit with a grass green satin blouse, using pale fondant pink or powder blue satin for draped evening dresses and sculpting on the curve out of the plainest white crepe.

The message was fit and shape with seaming marking the bust and waist of jackets. Saint Laurent, who put women in trousers for city life, has all but abandoned them in favour of sophisticated short skirts.

Cardigans, embroidered to look like crocodile skin, slithered over columns of tobacco brown crepe and added an exotic feel to this faultless collection.

The return of the female woman is the message from all the Paris couturiers who, next season, will show under one roof at the Grand Palais. The curvy theme comes from Azzedine Alaia who shows during the ready-to-wear season, but whose career has been made-to-order clothes. The renaissance of haute couture stems from the fact that it can best tailor fabric to the female curves.

The couture season also produced a new French fashion star – Christian Lacroix, the 35-year-old designer for the established house of Jean Patou. Lacroix was overcome by emotion as he received the Golden Thimble, the prestige award sponsored by Helena Rubinstein.

The youthful creative spirit of the new couture was captured by Lacroix in his tongue-in-chic homage to fashions past: trapeze-line dresses in psychedelic prints; guipure lace, a favourite Paris fabric, whipped round the body for a short sheath dress; mock Cocteau embroideries on short midriff tops, and cartwheel hats with everything.

Chanel found a new youthful mood in designer Karl Lagerfeld and he produced a cracking collection.

The fitted jacket, curved in at the waist over a short tight skirt, is Lagerfeld's new Chanel line. He played many variations on that theme with curvy riding coats, knits patterned to look like Chanel tweed, and strict shantung suits or trim dresses touched with white piqué.

The hat, low-crowned and jaunty, was an essential accessory, and so was the new miniature Chanel bag, dangling from its chain handles.

Youth was the message from Givenchy whose elegant silk dresses were cut with sweetheart necklines and made in the prettiest colours in Paris – orange sherbert, aqua blue and sunshine yellow. There were also pale fondant greens and misty Impressionist prints on chiffon. Givenchy also showed more trousers than any other designer but they were all softly draped. His masterstroke in a strong collection was a cape-back dress with a key-hole cut-out showing bare flesh.

Dior was young and sporty, with the only long skirts in town – a column of shantung pleats worn as an alternative to short tight skirts. The three-quarter length riding jacket, curved in at the waist over a slim skirt, looked fresh; and so did the 1960s-inspired T-back and key-hole cut-outs and short geometric dresses tailored in crepe.

Ungaro came up with the most sensual clothes, all cut on the bias, swathed round the curves and using his vivid mixes of colours: orange and lavender, fondant pink with yellow and turquoise.

Pleats and drapes were a strong story here and Ungaro's frankly feminine dresses, clinging and caressing the body, seemed a world away from the androgynous and oversized clothes that started their pugnacious parade through the earlier 1980s.





Photographs by Harry Kerr



Right. Patou: Sexy sixties revamped for couture.
Below. Saint Laurent: Fit and shape moulds a spot suit.
Below right. Chanel: Knit patterned to look like tweed.





The naked ape – broad chest and shoulders, a defined middle and narrow hips – is the shape of men's fashion. Pretty boy clothes and oversize separates have been abandoned for tailoring.

The all-male torso emerged most dramatically at Montana. He endorsed the return of the tailored jacket with an important new shape - thigh length, buttoned high and shaped in at the waist. Montana, king of the macho shoulder line, has kept his pads but dropped the sleeve slightly, for his long fitted coats, his Beatles jackets and pin-striped suits buttoned from the breastbone.

Jean Paul Gaultier, who put men in skirts (at least on the fashion runway) is now dressing them in tailored suits. This is good news for the button business, for Gaultier buttons two and shows two on his double breasted pin-stripe suits and has three on regular jackets.

In a lively and cheeky collection, Gaultier also used "female" fabrics – wool jersey, stretch Lycra and fake fur.

The voluminous Japanese layers at Comme des Garçons have been pared down. Designer Rei Kawakubo shirred the body of jackets until they looked as shrunken as last year's school blazer.

Jersey for men is the big fabric story, but jacquard and tweed are also used for a sportier image. Jeff Sayre produced husky sweaters with geometric patterns that seemed to grow out of his tweeds. Kenzo's mixes of Peruvian blanket wool and Fair Isle looked more familiar.

The dash and drama once reserved for women's clothes now goes into the staging of the French menswear collections.

Twenty-one designer shows now support the menswear exhibition (SEHM) at the Porte de Versailles, which has 900 exhibitors from 25 countries – including a strong contingent of menswear manufacturers from Great Britain.

The 40,000 visitors are not only buying but also looking for menswear trends in a fashion area that has flourished during this decade.

According to Claude Miserey, head of the French menswear industry, the men's shows may soon be grouped in one locale in recognition of their increasing importance. A new architect-designed portable structure will become a moveable show-place for French fashion collections.

Above left. Montana: Elongated three-button waisted jacket.
Below. Jeff Sayre: Husky geometric knit.
Below left. Kenzo: Check suit and savage print.



CUT ABOVE

The hour glass silhouette of the female woman was expressed most dramatically in Ungaro's shapely sheath (right). This is where the skills of haute couture - the art of cutting, draping on the bias and inserting pleats, challenges ready-to-wear. Madame Grès the 84 year-old Grande Dame of the couture, showed her tricks of the trade to a new generation: coils of crepe unfurling from the shoulder into a flow of fabric, showing art with craft.





RISING SON

Christian Vadim, (left) the craggy young son of French film actress Catherine Deneuve and director Roger Vadim, was star model at the Dior menswear show. Vadim junior not only showed off the crisp Dior tailoring and its impeccable accessories. His face also expresses the male model look of the moment.

The clean-cut, lithe and healthy model has replaced the unwholesome post-punk style of the earlier eighties. Cadaverous bodies and sunken cheeks once seemed the height of male model style; so did a brooding, moody Latin lover look. Now the models - many of them from England and America - positively glow with health. It is all part of the fashion clean-up which has brought tailoring, suits and conventional haircuts, back in style for young men, who take to the streets in a collar and tie and Church's brogues.

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Single-minded

An embarrassing legal fight between the Labour Party and its former local government officer is about to go to a seventh round. Barbara Turner,who is divorced, discovered she was unable to pass her pension entitlement onto her three children. After two court hearings, four industrial tribunals and an Employment Appeal Tribunal, she is still determined to prove that passing pension rights after death only onto married partners infringes the Sex Discrimination Act and EEC directives. Labour, however, has just decided to defend the rule at yet another employment appeal. Previously, it asked her for £5,000 costs after a hearing found against her — a re-quest dismissed as "startling" by the tribunal. The funny thing is that in Larry Whitty's 1983 Pelican *Women's Rights in the Work-place*, Labour's general secretary complains that many pension schemes *do* discriminate against women. "Such discrimi-nation also ignores the fact that many women have dependants," he writes. You said it, Larry.

House work

The deadlock between the government and the Commons select committee on defence caused by the Westland leak affair is likely to be discussed, I understand, by the House's liason committee on Thursday. The committee, comprising representatives of all the other select committees, monitors the relationship be-tween government and Par-liament, and will discuss consti-tutional aspects of the row. The most pressing matter is whether the investigatory role of select committees, which shadow the departments of state, can func-tion if the executive refuses to allow civil servants like Colette Bowe to give evidence.

Winding down

Leon Brittan, I can reveal, is not spending all his new-found lei-sure time worrying. He is having fun playing with one of his favourite Christmas presents: a clockwork helicopter given by one of his cheekier journalist buddies. "I am delighted with it. You simply wind it up, aim it correctly and it rescues toy children from a boiling sea with the help of magnets," says Brittan. Simply winding up the Westland affair remains, of course, another matter.

BARRY FANTONI



'Do we bid for her memoirs now or after the Fulham by-election?

Car choke

Top marks to the Police Federa-tion monthly, *Police*, for this one. A Liverpool youth, arrested for wrapping a stolen car around a lamp post, took advantage of the new procedures under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act by demanding a particular lawyer by name. Duly rung, the lawyer said he knew the chap and would come down at once. Two hours passed, however, before he finally arrived, gasping: "Sorry I'm late but someone's stolen my car." The charge sheet all too quickly revealed the thief's identity.

● And I thought I was bad about returning library books. A fines amnesty in Gateshead has tempt-ed the return of 5,000 books . . . including some which are 25 years overdue.

No Tessa

David Steel's personal secretary for the past 12 years, Tessa Horton, has announced she is leaving the Liberal leader to open up a health food shop in Clapham. This comes only a month after his other secretary, Beverley Miles, left to become a parliamentary consultant. His two trusted minders, who helped him through his post-election blues in 1983, will be sorely missed.

Coat-racked

There was consternation when executive members of the North-ern Ireland Police Federation met unionist leaders Ian Paisley and Jim Molyneaux for an unpubli-cized pow-wow before the recent Ulster by-elections. One of the Federation officials realized, to his horror, that he was carrying a briefcase from the Republic of Ireland's police force, a souvenir from a recent international con-ference. He carefully draped his coat over the briefcase and was later seen smuggling it out of the building, clutched awkwardly to his chest.

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Punjab: Gandhi's new gamble

by Michael Hamlyn

Delhi

Some Indians believe that Rajiv Gandhi has failed in his policies to restore peace to Punjab. They say the situation in the holy city of Amritsar is becoming as bad as in 1983, when armed Sikh extremists led by Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale were organizing disaffection and shouting their defiance of Delhi from the sanctuary of the Golden Temple.

Soon, it is feared, there may be another confrontation on the lines of Operation Blue Star, when the army stormed the temple and set in motion the chain of events that led to Mrs Gandhi's assassination.

More likely, however, we are seeing a vindication of Gandhi's policies. Admittedly the ex-tremists are again in charge of the temple, the holiest shrine of the Sikh religion. Hooligans from Sant Bhindranwale's former tem-ple, the Damdami Taksal, re-cently seized control of the building and called a *sarbat khalsa* — a general assembly of baptized Sikhs — a move un-precedented for 200 years.

Sikh religious and political power is supposed to spring directly from the wishes of the community, and the militants rammed through a series of resolutions dismissing the temple management and the head priests, excommunicating India's president (a Sikh) and the only Sikh in the central government, the agriculture minister, Buta Singh.

Today the portrait of Sant Bhindranwale, who was killed in Operation Blue Star, hangs prom-inently in the temple, and the flag of the separatist Sikh state of Khalistan — the word *Om*, or God, in black on a saffron ground — flies over the Akal Takht, the throne of Sikh power.

Militants are dismantling the Akal Takht, which they say was desecrated when rebuilt under government supervision after being badly damaged in the army assault.

The failure of the central government, its critics believe, lies in handing over power in Punjab to a weak government of the Sikh religious party, the Akali Dal, and by weakening its influence still further by failing to implement last July's accord between Delhi and the state government and handing over the state capital, Chandigarh, to Punjab alone by Republic Day, January 26.

Chandigarh is still the joint capital of both Punjab and Haryana state, and the extremists make much of the fact that the Punjab state government of Akali moderates has so far no solid achievements it can point to.

Sikh sentiments have been further disturbed by the death sentences imposed on Mrs Gandhi's murderer and his co-conspirators, and the sentences on the hijackers of an Indian airliner by Pakistan, no doubt influenced by a desire to achieve better relations with Delhi.

But the truth is that both sides in the Punjab accord got them-selves into the present fix over Chandigarh by agreeing that it should be handed over "simul-taneously" with the transfer of some Hindi-speaking areas to Haryana in exchange.

Both sides agreed that the principle of contiguity should be a consideration when deciding the areas to be transferred despite the fact that the two districts that Haryana had in mind, Abolhar and Fazilkar in the rich cotton-growing area, are not in fact contiguous to it.

The Akalis offered instead 31 other Hindi-speaking villages in the less prosperous Patiala dis-trict, close to Chandigarh, but the Haryana chief minister turned this down.

The central government could lean on the chief minister, Bhajan Lal, but Ghandi could not afford agitation in two adjoining states, and in any case he has been warned that his Congress party could lose control of Haryana if he did so.

Non-Congress parties rule in states speaking languages other than Hindi, but if Haryana fell it would be a serious inroad into the Congress's Hindi-speaking heartland and something that Gandhi's advisers are anxious to avoid.

Whether or not Gandhi's critics are correct in judging his policies a failure is to be tested on February 16. The Punjab government, led by Surjit Singh Barnala, has announced a *sarbat khalsa* of its own. If sufficient moderate Sikhs turn up it will be able to regain control of the Golden Temple, restore the management committee, and drive the extremists away.

The auguries are good. The moderate Akalis have always defeated the extremists when it has come to an appeal to the Sikh public, as in elections. Recently an extremist-led *rasta roko* — an attempt to block the roads by mass demonstrations — was a failure.

If Surjit Singh succeeds, the problem of Sikh extremism will have been handled and solved by a Sikh government, and not by the external force of the Hindu-dominated central government. That, for Gandhi, would be a considerable achievement.

George Schopflin on the Kadar succession struggle

Will Hungary go on leaning West?





Janos Kadar: leader for 30 years — but how much longer? Above, Budapest market: a plentiful supply of goods belies the belt-tightening for many

A *Pravda* article in January about Hungary, critical of the country's Western connections, sent cold shivers through most of the people who were aware of it in Budapest. It marked renewed Soviet disapproval of what many in the West regard as Hungary's "liberalization". But it should be seen for what it is — part of the power struggle in the Hungarian leadership and a way to frighten supporters of the more open course in foreign relations that Hungary has been following, with Soviet approval, for many years.

This power struggle is at the back of the extraordinary sense of drift that one finds in Hungary at the moment. The two favourite words about the situation heard in every conversation are "fluid" and "crumbling". There is no sense of purpose or direction in the leadership. It is in any case deeply divided by a number of major issues.

The most cogent comment that a senior party official could make in a lengthy conversation was, "We are building democracy and socialism here. It will take 15 to 20 years." This is hardly different from saying that one would like the sun to shine.

Several intractable factors have combined to worsen the drift that afflicts Hungary. Succession is the most significant. Janos Kadar, who in October will have been party leader for 30 years, is now 73. The elite has come to recognize that he must soon leave the political stage and its factions are engaged in a power struggle.

There are four main currents in conflict. The Kadarists aim to keep things as they have been. They have no new magic formula and are content with reiterating that in the Kadar era Hungarians have never had it so good.

Second, there are the neo-hardliners, close to Moscow, who regard Kadarism as something of an aberration and would like to shift Hungary towards a more orthodox system — to become a poor man's East Germany, as someone unkindly commented.

Thirdly, the economic prag-matists want to maintain the present Western orientation and accept that the discharging of Hungary's debt, of about $9 billion, means a serious burden on consumers. But the only way forward is to make industry more efficient by pushing ahead with genuine reform as distinct from the tinkering of the last two or three years. They are concerned that Hungary will be left out of the revolution in information technology, that it will never reach world market levels in the quality of its output and that it will slide quickly towards Third World levels.

Last, there is the so-called "trade union opposition", which is well organized. It articulates the interests, above all, of those branches of industry which are least efficient — the commanding depths of the economy, in a word. This current does not accept Hungary's Western orientation, does not believe that the need to trade on the world market is all that important and insists that the relatively privi-leged position of sections of the manual working class must be safeguarded.

These factions can all call on considerable support within the elite. For the moment, they have weakened the ability of the leadership to provide a sense of direction. This has its advan-tages. In the short term, there is an amazing diversity and even informal pluralism. The eco-nomic aspect of this is the most visible, notably in the upmarket boutiques around the Vaci utca so beloved of Western television crews looking for capitalism in the communist world. They seldom venture to Budapest's less salubrious districts.

Even more extraordinary is the variety of cultural and semi-political activism. Some 300 private foundations are officially registered, and administer their funds without state interference. One or two of these are close to the threshold of politics, such as a foundation to provide aid and support for the Hungarian minor-ity in Transylvania.

The views of the political reformers, who are in no way connected to the opposition which publishes in *samizdat*, can be startling in their radicalism. Many of them feel that the system as it now operates has exhausted its options, that only thorough-going political change — not pragmatic shifts in emphasis — can achieve what Hungary needs, revitalization and recovery of purpose. Without popular involvement in political decision-making which is genuine rather than cosmetic, the drift will continue. And if it goes on for much longer, the ever more visible and alarming trends in society will become irreversible.

Two patterns are most evident. Atomization is one of these. There is a minimum of trust between people, transactions are carried out in an atmosphere of suspicion and the criteria by which a society decides what is positive and what is negative are eroding. This undermines a sense of community. In the public context, this can be seen in the continuous, low-level aggressive-ness which permeates people's dealings with one another.

Second, the only reliable yard-stick left is money. The chase for money is extraordinary and is made worse by the deterioration of living standards over the last few years. Hungarians claim that they already put in the highest number of working hours per day in Europe. Irritation and stress are relieved by drinking. Heart disease is increasing. The suicide rate is very high, and rising.

Often people expect to receive a certain amount of money regardless of whether they per-form a service in exchange. This can go to ridiculous lengths. At the elegant Pannonia Hotel in Pecs, I was woken at 4.30 am by two waiters demanding that I settle a bar bill at once. They hoped I would be too befuddled with sleep to argue about the rather inflated amount and would just pay up. They forgot that foreigners use credit cards.

At a deeper level, Hungarian society seems to have lost not just the unity that was so evident during the 1956 revolution: its sense of ethical cohesiveness is disappearing too. People's loyal-ties are overwhelmingly to them-selves and maybe to their immediate families. Their con-cept of the future is very short-term and vague. If they have expectations, these are neutral or negative. While there may be a good deal of hay to be made just now, the future looks bleak, unless far-reaching change is introduced. And there is little sign that the leadership has the energy or determination to do it.

Breathing old life back into poetry

The award of the Whitbread prize to Douglas Dunn honours a fine poet and remarkable book — *Elegies*, poems written in mem-ory of his wife, whose early death tore his life apart. It also emphasizes what has become apparent in the past dozen years, that poetry, which had threatened either to dwindle into insignifi-cant occasional verse or to become something hermetic, ac-cessible only to initiates, is on the way to regaining its position as the literary form most capable of conveying feeling.

Dunn's elegies render an experience that is, in his own words, "common as dirt". "How strenuously the English language has gone out of its way in recent years to avoid the lyric cry," he says. "Contemporary poetry has sidestepped what most ordinary people expect from poetry." *Elegies* meets that expectation head-on.

Dunn was born in 1942 in a Renfrewshire village called In-chinnan overlooking the Clyde. He describes his background as "ordinary working-class", adding that "with a few exceptions Scots poets come from the lower end of society". This, in his opinion, is one of the historical differences between Scots and English poets (although this is changing in England), and perhaps one reason why the language of Scots poetry has always been direct.

He trained as a librarian, married young and went to a job in Ohio. The affinity between the west of Scotland and the United States has often been noted, Glasgow having been described as the most easterly American city. The consciousness of demo-cratic equality on which Scots pride themselves is especially strong in western Scotland.

Rudyard Kipling brought the Scots engineer into literature, and Dunn picks up the theme in a poem, *Ships*:

They leave restless boys without work in the river towns.
In their houses are fading pictures of fathers ringed
Among ships' complements in wartime, model destroyers.
Souvenirs from uncles deep in distant engine-rooms.
Then the boys go out down streets that look on water.
They say "I could have gone with them,"
A thousand times to themselves in the glass cafes.
Over their American soft drinks, into their empty hands.

The directness, the sense of a voice speaking straight to the reader with deep feeling, is evident; the expression is classi-cal in its precision.

As a boy Dunn read more history and poetry than fiction, though he is now a notable short-story writer, most of the stories having appeared first in the *New Yorker*; Faber (publisher of *Ele-gies*) put out a collection called *The Secret Village* last year, and issues a paperback edition soon.

Dunn came back to study English at Hull, and then worked as a librarian there. Philip Larkin was a senior colleague, and Dunn acknowledges his influence, al-though "more in things I heard him talk about" than his poetry.



Douglas Dunn: precision and depth of feeling

For all the romanticism asso-ciated with Scotland and the idea of Scotland, many of the best Scottish poets have written with classical clarity and sense of order. It's the directness again which you find in the ballads, in Burns, in Scott and in Byron, whom he has edited.

You get it too in modern poets such as Garioch, MacCaig and Crichton-Smith, often in Mac-Diarmid, and very evidently in Douglas Dunn. John Buchan wrote of "the sharp concrete experience" you find in Scots poetry. That phrase might have been carved for Dunn. Yet the melody is always there. "Scots poetry," he observes, "has never been deficient in lyricism."

His poetry is always open to the reader. There's nothing poeti-cal in his language, for the poetry comes from real life; yet it has never dragged down to a pedes-trian level. The intensity of feeling ensures its vitality, and the discipline of form its dignity.

He writes in English and has used Scots only for dialogue in radio plays and fiction. Yet it is, we agree, English with a dif-ference, Scots English. Some-body, incidentally, should do some work on Scots English. This might well start with Dunn himself or Muriel Spark, whose writing even now retains an Edinburgh intonation. Muriel Spark has said that the word "nevertheless" was the pivot of her education, and that she writes novels on the nevertheless prin-ciple. I would say "nevertheless" is strong in Dunn also. It represents an insistence on seeing both sides of a question.

Dunn is now working on a novel set in the west of Scotland in the 1930s, and on a long poem. How long? "About a thousand lines. Nowadays they call it a long poem if it goes over the page." But it will be a poem with a narrative element. As we get older, narrative seems more to be valued in poetry as in fiction, though Dunn also likes "spacious digressive imaginative novels".

Certainly, the poem will be accessible and not shy of emo-tion. It will, like *Elegies*, be undeniably poetry. The Whitbread award could not have gone to a poet more easy to admire without reservation.

Allan Massie

Digby Anderson

Living it up on Grub Street

This column is usually cautious about ambitious solutions to complicated social problems, so it is a pleasure when a case arises to which there is an obvious and practical, if only partial, remedy. At first sight, it concerns Julie, a student struggling to make ends meet on her grant, but on closer inspection it might concern many students who are campaigning for more of the taxpayers' money, and indeed many who are not students but, for one reason or another, have problems paying for the standard of living they expect.

Julie's income and expenditure were revealed in a recent *Sunday Times* article about student grants. Julie does not lead an unpleasant life — she spends £15 a week on drink and entertain-ment — but she overspends. As we might expect, this overspend-ing was presented by the article as a problem requiring a *political* solution — i.e.a bigger grant; in fact, part of the solution clearly lies in Julie's own hands. She does not get maximum value for her money. The largest single item in her list of expenditure is food: £18 a week plus £5 a week on "basic foodstuffs and toiletries" — of which, say, £3 is on basic foodstuffs — a total of £21. And what does she eat? What is the result of this not inconsiderable sum in the hands of one of the most intelligent sections of the population? "Ba-sic foods, such as fish pie and cauliflower cheese."; £21 worth of cauliflower cheese?

What could be done?

Tuesday breakfast: 2 boiled duck eggs (15p), toast — I assume home-made bread throughout — (4p); butter (4p), tea (3p). Dinner: potato salad (6p) — steam and reserve two extra potatoes; sprats (use recipes for anchovies, e.g. alici al gratin or sardines Neapol-itan), 8 oz sprats (20p), breadcrumbs, tomatoes etc (8p); pigeon aux olives (pot roast 50p plus 10p); stilton (20p); aranci caramellizzati (20p); coffee and amaretti (7p), bread (4p).

Throughout the week these quantities allow enough over for sandwiches next day or to cater, with easy additional ingredients, for an unexpected guest.

● **Wednesday breakfast:** Grilled pig's kidney (18p) with saute potatoes (from Monday) (4p), tea (3p). Dinner: soupe de poissons, croutons, rouille (acquire the fish heads and bones when you buy the sprats (probably free), but add a few mussels and their juice (30p) — reserve six of the steam-opened mussels for Thursday; hock of pork, boned and rolled (75p), stuffed with garlic, parsley, and diced coppa — get the end of one cheap (10p). Serve with baked onions (8p). After dinner, boil hock bone with pigeon carcass and any remaining onions for stock. Green salad (12p); glazed pear (12p) in red wine (25p); coffee (5p). Bread (4p).

● **Thursday breakfast:** Crumpets (20p), tea (3p). Dinner: salade de tomates et moules; rissoto con funghi — rice (15p); stock from Wednesday, mushrooms (25p); grilled chicken wings (36p) with lemon (12p); stilton (20p) with celery (20p); coffee (5p), bread (4p).

● **Friday breakfast:** Anchovy toast (10p), tea (3p). Dinner: cucumber in yoghurt (32p); grilled spiced mackerel (30p); lentil puree (8p) with fresh coriander (25p); fruit (whatever is cheap, 12p); coffee (5p), bread (4p).

Saturday breakfast: Home-made sausages (pork belly, 35p); bread (4p), tea (3p). Dinner for two: spaghetti con melanzane (pasta 25p, aubergines, 50p; Cervelles au beurre noir (use bullocks' brains 80p); braised celery (remainder of Thursday's), salad (40p); stilton (30p); coffee (10p), Bread (8p). And so on for Sunday and Monday, when you are taken out for dinner by the chap who came on Saturday.

The total bill will be about £13. Some items may have been forgotten but the point remains. One can eat excellently for well under Julie's total. Put more generally, some of those who can't live on their incomes have a problem of personal budgeting rather than political oppression. This is particularly true of certain items such as food where knowledge, time and work can save considerable expenditure.

Many of these items, readily available from butcher's shops, would cost three times as much on the Continent, where their culinary value is appreciated; indeed, the fact that ingredients such as fish-heads, bones, pig's extremities (ears, tails, heads) are regularly thrown or given away by retailers in Thatcher's alleg-edly harsh Britain shows that it is not a case of the odd student who has not yet learned to cater and cook. These prices are low or zero because next to no one knows about God's good things, has the taste to enjoy them, or can be bothered to prepare them.

There may be more talk about good food, and even occasionally a little more good food among an interested few, but most Britons eat less well than they could and spend much more on food than they need.

moreover . . . Miles Kington

Auntie's place in the country

The other day I visited a large building, cordoned off from the surrounding town, where they are producing a daily newspaper in conditions of some secrecy, and, extraordinarily, it isn't owned by Rupert Murdoch or Eddie Shah or anyone like that. It's owned by the BBC. Caversham Park, on the outskirts of Reading, is where the BBC Monitoring Service listens to news broadcasts from all over the world, and every day puts out a 90,000-word digest of what it has heard, called *Sum-mary of World Broadcasts*.

The secrecy attached to the *SWB* is quite accidental — it's simply that most people haven't heard of it. The circulation is only a little over 2,000, and the main customers are Fleet Street papers, foreign embassies, British government departments and large companies — anyone, in fact, who might want to know which way the wind is blowing before anyone else has noticed there's a wind at all. The day I was there everyone was mutter-ing a lot about South Yemen, and it wasn't for another day or two that I started reading about Aden's troubles in the papers.

Not that they attach much importance to boosting circula-tion. As I was there to help prepare a talk for Radio 2, I was allowed into the "morning prayers" meeting where they swap the latest hot news and developments; it reminded me not so much of an editorial meeting as a get-together of Oxford dons — professional, sharp and underspoken.

Thanks were voted to the Arab section, which had been doing double shifts to cover Colonel Gadaffi's latest outpourings. We were told what Moscow had been saying about the Yemen. The African expert vouchsafed the news that Zaire's export figures of bat dung were up again. Someone, bemused, asked him what bat dung was used for. He said he would look into it.

Next door to Caversham Park there is an even more obscure BBC department. Written Ar-chives, where they have kept not only all the scripts they could lay their hands on but a host of letters, complaints, memos, plans, reports and soft answers turning away wrath. Amanda, who was showing me around, was bubbling with excitement at the stuff she keeps finding.

"Here's something I found the other day — the first letter that Gerald Hoffnung ever wrote to the BBC, covered with his drawings. And here's a very odd letter about Guy Burgess."

Odd indeed. Someone had written in 1937 saying he had heard the BBC wanted a young man to take part in an Anglo-Russian programme and recommending Burgess. He knows Russia well, said the letter, though his politics are liberal Tory, rather like Harold Macmillan's . . .The BBC answer said that as Burgess had been a communist at Cambridge, he did not seem quite right for the part.

"There's another letter about Burgess, from 1951," said Amanda. "Apparently he had borrowed some books from the BBC library several years before and never returned them. Well, suddenly these books had been returned to the BBC front desk in September 1951, but the writer of the note asks the librarian not to make a song and dance about it, as the Foreign Office is very anxious to establish Mr Burgess's whereabouts."

In other words, one of the last things Burgess had done before defecting was to clear his guilty conscience about his years-over-due library books. Curious how the human mind works. Wonder-ing if I, too, could turn up some amazing discovery, I opened a box of papers when Amanda wasn't looking and found a series of BBC audition reports from 1958. There was a man who twirled 13 plates on sticks. Nice, said the report, but not really right for the radio. There was an Indian singer called Raj Kumar. Nice, said the report, but a bit lacking in character. Also, he has previously auditioned under the name of Jamie Farrar.

I left feeling the pleasure you get from having scratched the top of a barrel of treasures, from having touched on the million different routes the human mind can take. My two strongest memories are of seeing a Russian monitor watching Moscow tele-vision (a programme for chess beginners — nice to know they're not all experts in Russia) and of hearing the latest inquiry that had come Amanda's way.

"A lady rang up and asked how Bill and Ben, the Flowerpot Men, had dressed from the waist down. I asked why she wanted to know. Well, she said, her two children were going to a fancy dress party as Bill and Ben; she could remember their top halves but not the rest."

The BBC lays on this service of public information free. It's the sort of thing that suddenly restores all the faith in the Beeb that had been taken away by that John Cleese advertisement.

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BEWARE SAFE HANDS

The bush telegraph from the Conservative back benches beats out a threatening note. The natives are restless. The message is filtered through the loyalist and not so loyalist press. It is occasionally contradicted. But still it keeps coming.

The codeword is "a safe pair of hands", a metaphor borrowed from cricket and more usually applied to middle-ranking civil servants and executives than to matters of national leadership. This is the phrase that hangs on so many lips, that appears in so many newspaper profiles, that is in turn repeated on more lips and recycled into further prognostications of the parliamentary mood. Sir Geoffrey Howe has a safe pair of hands. So has Mr Douglas Hurd. Mr Norman Tebbit and Mr Peter Walker perhaps do not. Thus do last year's potential titans become this year's nearly has-beens as the drum of rumour drones on.

The Prime Minister's friends can be forgiven for taking a fairly indulgent attitude to most of this. Politicians have always thrived on talk of sackings and succession. While some of the key players may have been planning their leadership campaigns from their ministerial cradles, the supremacy of Mrs Thatcher during the past decade has made speculation rather dull and plotting mostly pointless. The fact that Sir Anthony Meyer and others are now letting their true feelings show should lead noone in Downing Street to lose sleep.

That is not to say, however, that the Westland saga can be safely left, like some ill-crafted melodrama, to fade away to the final curtain. Until the Prime Minister accedes to the wishes of the select committee on defence and allows those now so well-known civil servants to answer questions about the afternoon of January 6th, the fears and the murmurings will go on. There is no alternative to the fullest, frankest (and probably the dullest) degree of disclosure if the impetus of Mrs Thatcher's administration is not to be dragged back.

It has long been a paradox of this government that its greatest successes have been achieved with barely more than the tacit approval of its elected representatives, often in the teeth of their opposition. The giant gains of privatisation, trade union reform and anti-inflation strategy would never have been made under the guidanceof a safe pair of hands.

Mrs Thatcher knows that Sir Anthony Meyer is at the tip of a substantial iceberg. She knows too that the barrier to good government which he and his kind represent is one which she has charted, skirted, ignored (and too often fled from) for many years. What she does not seem to know is that there is another iceberg which is hoving into view. It is made up not just of those who are cautious about policies, nervous about their electoral chances, and utterly uninterested in anything but being an MP; it is formed from those who are afraid that the Prime Minister will slowly and painfully be revealed to be involved in a sordid-looking cover-up. Only quick action on her part can stop that becoming the obstacle beneath which she could be crushed.

And then what? If Westland is taken off the agenda of her friends and party colleagues, remaining only as a nasty echo in the speeches of her opponents, what can be done to put the government back on course? The same rumour machine that is producing thoughts of succession is also generating alleged plans for an emergency rethink of government strategy. It is a tempting prospect to believe that this is what is required. It is especially tempting to those in the cabinet and outside who think that the neglect of their advice in the past has brought the government to its present state. Mrs Thatcher would do well to tread carefully before she sets any such process in motion. Her most important policies are long-term in their intention and long-term in their effect.That is the way they should stay.

The most important short-term priority is to ensure that long-planned programmes are carried through to fruition. Those, for example, who have *always* opposed the privatisation of British Airways can now see the prospect of its cancellation.They can look at some small US law suits and argue that, with all its other troubles, this is a boat that the government should leave resolutely unrocked, if it has half a chance to do so. It is important that this decision and others like it continue to be judged on their original merits.

The second priority is to begin the process of preparing policies for the third term, of continuing the commitment to change which is Mrs Thatcher's most singualar contribution to British public life. There remains much to be done in the coordination of education and training, in the relaxation of planning regulations and rent controls, in the weening of the electorate away from the distorting lure of tax rebates and preferential privileges.

None of these will come as shafts of original light to those who sit around the policy planning tables. They are the issues that have suffered from faint-hearted ministers, insufficient thought and from too long a sojourn in the Prime Minister' "too hard" tray. They are the issues that require the hardest thinking if they are to have a chance to survive in the political battles ahead. They are the issues that divide those who wish Mrs Thatcher's achievements to be entrusted to safe hands from those who can recognise an incompleted job and have the will to see its completion.

POLISH JUSTICE IN ACTION

Next week Lech Walesa is due to stand trial, accused of "slandering" some of the country's electoral officers by announcing Solidarity's own estimate of the turnout in last autumn's parliamentary elections. The precise details of the charge are unimportant, since this is a purely political trial. Poland's law books now contain so many elastic paragraphs that the authorities could certainly have found an offence to charge him with at any time.

Why are the Polish authorities making such a highly-charged political move now? The Soviet Party Congress meets this month, his own party congress is scheduled for June, and General Jaruzelski may feel that this is an opportune moment to demonstrate that he, like Mr Gorbachov, has "iron teeth."

Yet the answer is probably that they now reckon they can get away with it. For the Polish authorities have themselves long wanted to do to Walesa what they have already done to almost every other Solidarity leader who has remained politically active, and whom they have managed to lay hands on.

During the four years since the imposition of martial law, Walesa has been interned, summoned for questioning and subjected to police controls. But until now they have never actually dared to put in the dock the man who is probably, beside the Pope, the best known Pole in the world.

Now they think they can break this last taboo, without unmanageable domestic and international repercussions. In the domestic assessment they are almost certainly right.

What of the international reaction? The government recently boasted that 1985 was the year in which Poland had emerged from its diplomatic isolation. With General Jaruzelski being received by President Mitterand and Herr Willy Brandt being feted in Warsaw at the year's end, there was some justification for this boast. Should a Walesa trial put Poland back into quarantine?

There is a difficulty for Western governments here. A complete boycott cannot be sustained indefinitely. Renewed high level diplomatic dialogue can provide opportunities for raising our human rights concerns, as Sir Geoffrey Howe did most convincingly on his tour of Eastern Europe last year.

What has been wrong with some recent contacts is not that they occurred, but the way they occurred. This is particularly true of a clumsy visit by France's deputy foreign minister, and even more of the strange performance of Herr Brandt, whose expressions of concern about worsening repression in Poland were so perfunctory as to be inaudible.

Such omissions are bound to give the Polish authorities the impression that the West is not really serious, let alone united in its concern about, for example, the country's more than 200 political prisoners and the purge of its universities; that human rights are not, as we profess, an integral part of our Helsinki agenda for East-West relations. Walesa in the dock, on an obviously political charge, must be an occasion for Herr Brandt and M Mitterand, in common with other Western leaders, to demonstrate that such an impression is mistaken.

TAKING THE GOSPEL TO THE CITIES

The dust has settled since the Church of England's last intervention in national political debate, its essay in December on the inner city. The Government has subsequently settled for an attitude of politeness towards the initiative, a shrewd response that might have commended itself earlier, for surely there is not much political profit in quarrels with clerics. The air has cleared for discussion of the role of the Church of England in the inner city – what ought to have been the Commission's main interest anyway. The General Synod which beings today will devote the larger part of its meeting to this more ecclesiastical side of the matter, appropriately, because this is where churchmen have the benefit of expertise.

They would be wise, never the less, to weigh carefully the advice the Commission is giving them. There is both an opportunity and a trap ahead of them.

The Commission advanced a harsh critique of the Church of England's performance in the inner urban areas, admitting things which have long been obvious but unmentionable. The national church can claim at best a marginal influence and a shadowy presence there. In so far as the flag of Christianity has been kept flying at all in the sometimes derelict cores of the great cities, it has been through the efforts of the black-led churches and the Roman Catholics.

The trap ahead is for the Church of England to believe that it without great difficulty re-establish itself by administrative and organisational means, while remaining its staid character as an institution with a unique relationship to the State. Its traditional identity be fitting in the suburbs and country towns still, but the inner cities are mission territory of the rawest kind, demanding a different, perhaps a revived spirit. The Commission's recommendations are based on unexamined and controversial assumptions about this transfirguation, and the synod ought to unpack them.

Inner city areas are very largely bereft of spiritual and religious leadership; very largely, to use an old-fashioned word, unconverted. The Church of England might convert its surplus church buildings into community centres (and where appropriate into flats for regenerating private sector sale).

Its essential contribution,however, is the one imposed by its title deeds. That is to preach the Gospel. The more it can concentrate on urban teaching and preaching, and be seen to be so concentrating, the better will it be respected as a commentator on social policy and inner city politics. Nothing has been more damaging to the church's case, in its recent tangle with the politicians, than the charge that it does not even know its own business in the cities.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Making us all less bemused

From Lord Lansdowne

Sir, For those of your readers who may not have seen the letter addressed to you on January 27 by Mr Anthony Swainson, I quote two sentences from it:

The man in the street is bemused. It is the Government's duty and self-interest to keep the voter properly informed of the facts, rather than having to rely upon sensational journalism designed to sell newspapers and attract viewers of television.

During the miners' strike, through your columns, I begged the Prime Minister to address the nation and tell us the facts. I believe that many of us were bemused then, also, by confusing and sensational reports.

Prime Minister's question time in Parliament is a fine democratic institution, but it is not enough in these days of rapid mass communication.

May I once again, through your columns, urge the Prime Minister to give greater consideration to the bemused man in the street by giving regular televised Press conferences to keep us properly informed of the facts? If such constituted "party political broadcasts" I believe party managers would find that the allotted time was well spent.

Yours faithfully,
LANSDOWNE,
House of Lords.
January 28.

In the bag

From Dr J.W.King

Sir, Apropos the acceptance of new technology, one wonders whether even in high places modern alternatives are always given due consideration.

I understand that a debate is currently in progress about whether the Woolsack should be refilled with wool or horsehair,but I have not heard any mention of the possible use of a man-made stuffing. Surely at least one good British factory could produce something which would satisfy the twin criteria of comfort and durability.

Imagine, Sir, the pleasure of explaining to foreigners that the Woolsack no longer contained what once upon a time it used to, thereby proving that as a nation we have indeed accepted the spirit of the twentieth century.

Yours sincerely,
J. W. KING,
8 Potters Cross,
Bangors Road South,
Iver Heath,
Buckinghamshire.
January 30.

From Dr Nicholas Jeffs

Sir,Concerning the contents of the Woolsack, the Lord Chancellor may be in greater discomfort than previously suspected by your correspondent, Dr Barbara Reynolds (January 22). The relevant passage is from "The Entertaining Episode of the Article in Question" in *Lord Peter Views the Body*. It reads:

It was his idiotic enquiries as to what the Woolsack was really stuffed with that led the then Lord Chancellor idly to investigate the article in question, and to discover, tucked deep within its recesses, that famous diamond necklace of the Marchioness of Writtle.

Diamonds are considerably harder than emeralds. As to the idleness of the then Lord Chancellor, I am not qualified to speculate.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS JEFFS,
28 Ludlow Avenue,
Luton,
Bedfordshire.
January 23.

Policies of 'Freeze'

From Dr William Howard

Sir, I wish to clarify several key points raised in Bernard Levin's recent column (January 15) on the new Nuclear Weapons Freeze organisation.

The simple answer to his main question - is Freeze a front or stalking horse for CND? - is most definitely no. If Mr Levin had consulted Freeze's widely distributed leaflet, instead of the advertisement which he quotes, he would have read: "Freeze campaigns for a halt (to the testing, production and deployment of new nuclear weapons) and not for unilateral dissarmament by Britain or any other country".

Mr Levin may have difficulty understanding the Freeze philosophy because it does not conform to the sterile and polarised nuclear debate of the last five years in Britain. International arms control has been missing from this discussion. Freeze has been formed to fill this gap and reflect a new consensus in this country.

In this nuclear age, when the security of nations is interlocked, of course a "freeze" would have to be mutual and verifiable. The USSR has indicated it may be willing to take this course. Now is the time to see if they mean it.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM HOWARD,
Freeze National Coordinator,
82 Colston Street,
Bristol,
Avon.

The Times regrets that it is temporarily unable to notify correspondents whose letters are not selected for publication.

Lessons from space disaster

From Mr J. L. Hudson

Sir, The tragic loss of the shuttle, Challenger, and its crew of seven has once again raised the issue of the place of man in space. In his article today (January 30) your Science Correspondent would seem to favour the development of remote probes and satellites. The great success of Voyager 2 at Uranus shows indeed what the remote robot craft are capable of.

This seems to me, however, a short-sighted view. If one surveys the story of our species in the long term, then surely one characteristic is its evolutionary infiltration into ever more diverse environments so that today mankind can be found over the entire face of our earth.

Viewed on this historical perspective it is clear that we are privileged to be witnesssing the first tentative steps of mankind into the endless ocean of space. In this exploration there will be setbacks and disasters as there have been in the past with the exploration of the seas and air.

It would be much to our shame if future generations were to look back and say that the free world failed to recognise its role in mankind's destiny at this exciting and challenging time.

Yours faithfully,
J. L. HUDSON,
107 Appledore Avenue,
Wollaton,
Nottingham.
January 30.

From Ms Carol Bundock

Sir, Seven people died as the result of a fault in a multi-billion dollar venture - thousands die daily from lack of food. For whom should we grieve more,and where should our attentions be turned?

Yours etc,
CAROL BUNDOCK,
Chapel End,
Norwich Road,
Corpusty,
Norwich,
Norfolk.
January 29.

From Mr Henry Knowles

Sir, I am sure that we are appalled at the catastrophic setback that the American space shuttle has suffered and that we share some of the grief that the families of the seven astronauts are now feeling. It is for this reason that I think we should all show some compassion and not subject them to the rigours of having that grief publicly shown on the news and in the papers for all to see.

It is hard enough coming to terms with such a tragic loss as this without feeling that it has been shown worldwide.

Yours faithfully,
HENRY KNOWLES,
West Bank,
Uppingham,
Rutland.

From Mr Robert A. McDougle

Sir, To quote your leader of this morning (January 30):"The presence on the Challenger of Mrs Christa McAuliffe, a teacher, her vocation an expression of faith in the future ..." leads me to wonder from which profession the British Government would have selected their first civilian astronaut.

I fear that teachers would come very far down the list.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT A. McDOUGLE,
Co-proprietor,
The Red Lion,
Market Street,
Dalton-in-Furness,
Cumbria.
January 30.

From Mr Simon Pashby

Sir, I was shocked to read about the space shuttle disaster and the tragic loss of life. I think it would be fitting if the newly discovered moons around Uranus were named in honour of the brave crew; and as a symbol of man's desire to venture into the unknown.

Yours faithfully,
S.M. PASHBY,
15 Robert Cecil Avenue,
Southampton.
Hampshire.
January 29.

From a great height

From Mr Andrew J. Wait

Sir, When William Herschel came to Bath in 1766 he no doubt noted the strange local custom of adding a letter when pronouncing Bath, i.e., "Barth".

Later,in 1781, when he discovered Uranus from his observatory in Bath, as a mark of respect for his adopted community he pronounced it "Urainus", adding the letter "i".

Whilst applauding the magnificent achievement of the American Voyager space programme, please can we *not* adopt the more lavatorial United States pronunciation and keep faith with this obscure part of our heritage?

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW J. WAIT,
109 Manor Road,
Keynsham,
Bristol, Avon.

Unfriendly outposts

From Mr Terence Richardson

Sir, As a British expatriate with over 13 years' residence in the Turks and Caicos Islands, I would like to correct and amplify some of Mr Hetherington's statements (January 6) regarding these islands.

Applicants for citizenship based on residence may only apply for and receive British Dependent Territories' citizenship (BDTC) status. Belonger status is generally acquired through birth here or through parents who were born here. BDTC status has no particular meaning in the application of local ordinances as it has not been incorporated into the local ordinances.

If one acquired one's citizenship by application then one's business licence application, for example, may still be refused, as only belongers may receive business licences by right. This two-tier citizenship, belonger and British Dependent Territory citizen, condoned by the British Government, is as distasteful as that in South Africa, but as a reverse situation is unlikely to appeal to those who usually criticize such injustice.

Long-term residents of these islands may not expect to automatically receive citizenship on application following a period of residence. One must first obtain a permanent resident's certificate, which application usually goes unanswered.

Although a British citizen may vote after he/she has been here five years, and may even stand for election after 15 years' residence, he/she cannot, according to the Governor and the Attorney General's office, ever obtain belongership or British Dependent Territories' citizenship and thus have the right to work and the right of abode.

The bottom line is that the British taxpayer, who foots the bills here, is at the very bottom of the list, if he can be said to be on it at all, when it comes to citizenship and security of tenure.

Developers and investors in territories such as these, particularly Americans and Canadians, come here with a sense of confidence that a British legal system is in force and law and order and an atmosphere of British fair play permeate all aspects of society. The recent decline of investors and developers here shows only too well what happens when they lose that confidence.

Yours faithfully,
TERENCE RICHARDSON,
President,
International Surveys Limited,
Surveyors/real estate brokers,
Providenciales,
Turks and Caicos Islands.
January 27.

Staying power

From Mrs J.D. Ware

Sir, Forty years ago, and stitch by stitch, I unpicked a white, silk wartime parachute. The resultant nightdress, coupon-free and with many strange diagonal seams, is worn by me to this day.

Now a very subtle shade of off-white, it is happily reunited with a former member of The Parachute Regiment - my husband.

Yours sincerely,
CONSTANCE WARE,
Coach House,
4 Cooks Folly Road,
Bristol,
Avon.

Food poisoning

From Mr Eric Silvester

Sir, A major factor in respect of food poisoning and salmonella infections generally, and so far not mentioned, is that, unlike so many other trades, professions and activities affecting other people, there is no *statutory* obligation for proprietors and managers of food premises to prove their competence (such as, for example, in the driving test) to deal satisfactorily and safely with the food in their care.

It is still legally permissible for an ignoramus to start up and manage a food shop or catering business, and the tragedy is that that is just what some of them have done through the years, lacking even an elementary knowledge of food hygiene, requiring much individual on-site correction and education. I make this observation from my experience of 33 years as an environmental health officer, now retired.

In the interests of public health there is need to correct this situation.

Yours sincerely,
ERIC SILVESTER,
57 Park Avenue,
Chippenham,
Wiltshire.

Arab arrest

From Mr David Astor and others

Sir, We have learned of the house arrest on "national security grounds" of Mr Saleh Baransi, director of the Arab Heritage Centre in the Arab township of Tayiba in Israel. Mr Baransi is an outspoken critic of Israeli Government policy towards Israel's 650,000 Arab community.

He has always pursued their interests by legal means. His first attempt, through an independent Arab political movement, led to his imprisonment in 1970 for 10 years. He next applied, unsuccessfully, for permission to start a new university. Finally, he set up a cultural centre, which does not require a licence, with financial support from church societies in Europe and the USA.

Mr Baransi was about to leave for Europe on a fund-raising tour when he was arrested on January 12. We believe that better treatment of Mr Baransi could make a valuable contribution to Jewish-Arab relations.

Yours etc,
DAVID ASTOR,
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January 30.

ON THIS DAY

FEBRUARY 4, 1935

The international Rugby Union season is now in full swing, as it was 51 years ago (then without France). It ended with Ireland at the top of the table with 4 points, England and Wales 3 each, and Scotland 2, the latter having the consolation of winning the Calcutta Cup. Our correspondent was O.L. Owen.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

SCOTLAND BEATEN AT CARDIFF

AN AMAZING DROPPED GOAL

FROM OUR RUGBY FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

A drop-kick at a venture enabled Wales to beat Scotland at Cardiff on Saturday by one dropped goal and two tries (10 points) to two tries (6 points).

Scotland, in the broad sense, hardly could claim to have been unlucky, for their opponents, when playing against a strong wind, had scored six points to three and looked set for a much more decisive win until, just before half-time, a dreadful thing happened. D.W. Jones, the presiding genius of Rugby at the moment, Welsh and otherwise, in defending his goal line, was injured so badly that he had to retire altogether from the fray. Against a temporarily demoralized fourteen Scotland managed to draw level early in the second half, but Wales then recovered and used the wind so well that the Scotsmen, for all the greatness of Beattie and others in the loose, not to mention the desperate and successful expedient of moving Shaw up into the stand-off position during the last quarter of an hour or so, mostly were pinned in their own quarters.

The dropped goal that clinched matters was an extraordinary achievement by Jenkins, the full-back, who had run up to cover a breakdown in the passing on the left only to find himself also in a tangle. Just when the slowness which had served him so badly on several previous occasions was threatening a Scottish breakaway into the open spaces behind him Jenkins effected a turn and - whether by inspiration or in desperation is not for a mere spectator to say - swung his leg and sent the ball skimming over the crossbar. The range was fully 40 yards. Shaw and the Scottish forwards made the match exciting enough for the 10 minutes that remained, but Wales kept their goal-line safe by hard tackling and long accurate kicking to touch . . .

If the Scottish kicking with a powerful wind behind it had been as good as their forward play Wales must have found it infinitely harder to set up the attacks that led to their two tries. The first sign that there was a weakness in the Scottish defence, however, came when Powell sent out a pass direct to Bassett, who rounded Johnston with ease and, having kicked ahead past Marshall, looked as if he would snatch a try in that way. It required a swift dash back by Shaw to save the situation by inches. Meanwhile Jones's clever running and kicking had encouraged the Welsh forwards to open up the game and 10 minutes after the kick-off it was a pass from a line-out that sent Jones on his masterly diagonal run for the goal-line. Speeding ahead, yet always leaving a surprised defender a yard short of his right shoulder, Jones at last reached the goal-line fairly wide of the posts . . .

A GREAT TRY

Wales, moreover, were now on top for a bit at forward as well as behind and inside a very few minutes the backs as a body had gone into action and added the kind of try that promised more - perhaps even many more - to come. Passing from the scrummage first of all sent Jones through a gap, and then Davey. The latter almost got home before he had to pass to Wooller. Here was some first-class passing and two perfect openings. It still semmed to matter little that Jenkins could not place goals against the wind . . .

. . . Scotland recovered well from this shock and soon the forwards were fairly hammering at the Welsh line. One tremendous run by Beattie led to another - a drop at goal by Grieve being charged down in the meantime - and, then, Thom got over and Shaw missed the place-kick from an angle.

Wales were at sixes and sevens at the start of the second half, and when Dick kicked ahead Jenkins let the ball bounce so short of him that Beattie was able to pick up comfortably in his stride and pass to Shaw. The latter's turn of speed did the rest, and, though the place-kick failed, Scotland were level and, apart from the wind, more than level . . .

Two long shots at goal by Day and Jenkins, the one from a mark and the other from a penalty and a grand bash by Wooller further raised Welsh hopes before Jenkins, as already described, placed his side four points in front . . .

WALES

V.G.J. Jenkins (Bridgend), back; I. Rees (Swansea), C. Davey (Swansea and Sale) (captain), W. Wooller (Cambridge University), and A. Bassett (Aberavon), three-quarter backs; C.W. Jones (Cambrige University) and W.C. Powell (Northampton), half-backs; I. Day (Swansea), C. Murphy (Cross Keys), T Rees (Newport), D. Thomas (Swansea) T. Williams (Cross Keys), J. Lang (Llanelly), A.M. Rees (Cambridge University) and A. Fear (Newport), forwards.

SCOTLAND

K.W. Marshall (Edinburgh Academicals), back; W.G. Johnston (Cambridge University), R.C.S. Dick (Guy's Hospital), R.W. Shaw (Cambridge University), three-quarter backs; C.F. Grieve (Kelso), J. Beattie (Hawick), W.A. Burnet (West of Scotland), D.A. Thom (London Scottish), J.A. Waters (Selkirk) and L.B. Lambie (Glasgow High School F.P.) forwards

REFEREE - F.W. Haslett (Ireland).

Three-legged race

From Mr Maurice Ross

Sir. The Isle of Man an English island. forsooth (1 across. yesterday's crossword). I hope that "Fortress Wapping" proves equal to the task when your Manx readers take to the longboats.

Yours faithfully,
MAURICE ROSS.
18 Fieldway. Hoole. Chester.
January 31.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM
February 3: The Queen, Honorary Air Commodore, visited Royal Air Force Marham today.

Having been received by the Station Commander (Group Captain P.C. Norriss), Her Majesty visited 57 Squadron in the No. 1 Hangar and later visited the Air Traffic Control Building.

The Queen then visited the Sergeants' Mess and subsequently honoured the Station Commander with her presence at an all-ranks luncheon in the Officers' Mess.

In the afternoon, Her Majesty visited the Nursery School and afterwards opened the Married Families' Club and unveiled a commemorative plaque. The Queen then met the Crews who took part in the 1985 Strategic Air Command Bombing and Navigation Competition and visited the Sandringham Centre.

Mrs John Dugdale, Mr Kenneth Scott and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Steward-Wilson were in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, President of World Wildlife Fund-International, left Royal Air Force Marham this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Switzerland where His Royal Highness will address the European Management Forum Foundation at a Plenary Session of its 1986 Symposium in Davos.

Squadron Leader Timothy Finneron is in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
February 3: The Prince and Princess of Wales attended Evensong in Westminster Abbey followed by a Reception in the Banqueting House, Whitehall, to mark the Anniversary of 100 years of lay participation in the central councils of the Church of England.

Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith, Lieutenant-Colonel Jack Stenhouse and Lieutenant-Colonel Brian Anderson were in attendance.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of His Honour Judge Christopher Hilliard will be held today at St Sepulchre-without-Newgate at 5pm.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of His Honour Brian Gibbens, QC, will be held in Gray's Inn Chapel tomorrow at 4.45pm.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Peter Curtis will be held at St Margaret's, Lothbury, EC2, on Monday, February 10, at noon.

Luncheon

HM Government
Baroness Young, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a farewell luncheon at Lancaster House in honour of the High Commissioner for Guyana. Among those present were:
Lord and Lady Pitt of Hampstead, the Hon Sir Eustace Gibbs, Sir Peter Marshall, Mr and Mrs S D Lawrence, Mr and Mrs Arnold Nachmanoff, Mr and Mrs Alan Forster, Mr and Mrs David Jessop, Mr Maurice Chandler, Mr Allan Ramsay and Mr Robert Barnett.

Dinners

Overseas Bankers' Club
The Lord Mayor and the Sherriffs were present last night at the annual dinner of the Overseas Bankers' Club held at Guildhall. Sir Timothy Bevan, president of the club, was in the chair and the principal speaker was M Jacques de Larosiere, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, also spoke.

Inter-Parliamentary Union
Mr David Crouch, MP, Chairman of the British Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, was host a a dinner held at the Athenaeum Hotel yesterday in honour of a parliamentary delegation from Poland, led by Mr Mieczyslaw F. Rakowski, Vice- Marshal of the Sejm.

Peat Marwick
Brigadier-General Lee Hsien Loong, Minister of State for Trade and Industry and for Defence of Singapore, was the guest of honour at a dinner held by Peat Marwick at the Berkeley Hotel on Thursday night. Among the guests were:
Dr Ho Guan Lim, High Commissioner for Singapore, Sir Hamilton Whyte, HM High Commissioner to Singapore, Mr S Chandra Das, chairman, Singapore Trade Development Board, Mr Ng Pock Too, political secretary to the Prime Minister and deputy director National Trade Unions Council, Mr Cheong Choong Kong, managing director, Singapore Airlines, Mr John Hill, chief executive, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Singapore, Mr Philip Yeo, chairman, Singapore Economic Development Board, Mr Lee Suan-Hiang, director (Europe), Singapore Economic Development Board, Mr George Teo, chairman, J M Sassoon and Company Pty, Singapore, Mr Tan Eng Soon, managing director, Tan Chong and Sons Motor(S) Pty, Singapore.
Mr Denis Child, deputy group chief executive, National Westminster Bank plc, Mr Guy Checketts, deputy chairman and managing director, Hawker Siddeley International, Mr Tom Eassie, chief executive, Rotork plc, Mr Jim Fitzpatrick, chairman, the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company, Mr Terry Harrison, chief executive, Northern Engineering Industries plc, Mr Daniel Hodson, financial director, Unigate plc, Mr John Lloyd, deputy managing director, Portals Holdings plc, Sir Patrick Meaney, chairman, The Rank Organisation plc, Mr David Millar, executive director, Standard Chartered plc, Mr Dick Ringwald, chairman, Laporte Industries Holdings plc, Mr Pratt Thompson, chairman, ADCOM International plc, Mr Christopher Powell-Smith, managing partner, McKenna and Company, Sir John Williams, chairman of the board of governors, Commonwealth Institute.
Representing Peat Marwick were Sir John Grenside, Mr Jim Butler, Mr John Adcock and Mr Chris Sneath from the UK practice and Mr Keith Tay and Mr Victor Ng from the Singapore practice.

Birthdays today

Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Ashmore, 65; the Hon Sir Clive Bossom, 68; Dr P.E. Thompson Hancock, 82; Sir Robert Haslam, 63; Mr R.C. Hoban, 61; Mr Erich Leinsdorf, 74; Lord Shawcross, QC, 84; Dr Hugh Sinclair, 76; Dame Mabel Tylecote, 90.

Church news

Canon Stephen Smalley, Precentor of Coventry Cathedral, to be additionally Vice-Provost

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S.D. Ball
and Miss S. Hampson
The engagement is announced between Stephen, only son of Mr and Mrs D.R. Ball, of Camelford, north Cornwall, and Susan, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L.T. Hampson, of Cardiff, South Wales.

Mr R.H. Green
and Miss S.L. Humpage
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs F.C. Green, of Bournemouth, Dorset, and Susan, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T.E. Humpage, of Brickhill, Bedford.

Mr J.E.B. Bevan
and Captain S.F. Parker, RAMC
The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs M.G.M. Bevan, of Longstowe, Cambridgeshire, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.V. Parker, of Appleton, Cheshire.

Marriages

Mr G.W. Swainson
and Mrs A. Bittner
The marriage took place on January 11, in Melbourne, between Mr Geoffrey Swainson and Mrs Anne Bittner (nee du Vallon).

Mr J.C. Robinson
and Miss N. Kemball
The marriage took place on January 25, 1986, at St Etheldreda's, Ely Place, EC1, between Mr James Robinson, son of Chris and Margaret Robinson, of Nazeing, and Miss Nicola Kemball, daughter of John and Rachel Kemball, of Vila Praia de Ancora, Portugal.

Judge Starforth Hill, QC
and Mrs W.E. Stavert
The marriage took place on January 31, 1986, in Hampshire, between Judge Ian Starforth Hill, QC, and Mrs Wendy Elizabeth Stavert.

Middlesex snatch win

There was an exciting finish to the final of the Croydon Bridge Championship teams event held at Fairfield Halls, Croydon over the weekend when a Kent team, captained by A.D. Price, winners for the past two years, were overtaken by one victory point in the last round by Arthur Robert Robinson, N. Vail, N. Selway, and A.M.G. Thompson of Middlesex.

Championship teams:
R. Robinson, N. Vail, N. Selway, A.M.G. Thompson (Middlesex), 145
A.D. Price, B.M. Leppard, T.P. Goldsmith, G.B.Soper (Kent) 144
Secondary teams:
Mrs R.F.Absalom, N.L.J.Davies, J.C. Street, D.Beever (Surrey)
D.W. Patterson (Sussex), I.Payn, D. Clinch, R.Burkeman (Kent)
Mixed pairs:
W.Durden, Mrs M. Wood, 336
B.Fernerhough, Mrs A. Firshman, 328
Mr & Mrs P Southon, 319
R A. Oliver, Mrs E. Whitehorne, 310

Science report

Computer aids diabetes diagnosis

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

A method of diagnosing the early metabolic changes in the human body which are indicators of a pre-diabetic state has been developed in California using computer science techniques.

A computer model which simulates the body's metabolism has been developed at the University of Southern California School of Medicine. The computer program allows accurate diagnosis,replacing the complicated techniques used at present.

Professor Richard Bergman, professor of physiology and biophysics, who heads the research team says the method will allow earlier screening of large numbers of people.

Earlier detection, the researchers believe, will prevent the development of overt diabetes.

Professor Bergman says: "About 80 per cent of people with type II, or adult-onset, diabetes are overweight. If we can identify people who show early signs of developing the disease , we could advise them to keep their weight down . Perhaps we could treat them, too, with drugs that reverse insulin resistance.

"Another application is to screen women on the pill, since oral contraceptives appear to exacerbate pre-diabetic symtoms in some women".

The USC test requires the patient be injected with glucose and 12 blood samples are taken over a three-hour period. The levels of sugar and insulin in the samples are detected in laboratory tests and then the data "fed" into the computer model, which took five years to develop.

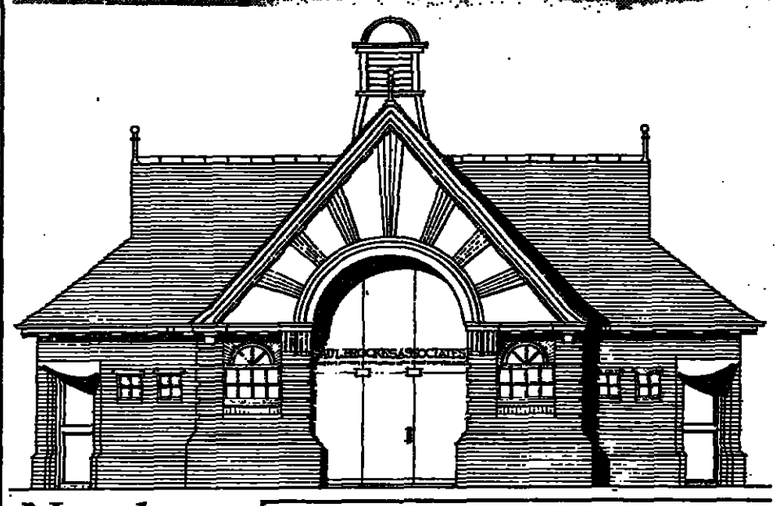
It is able to determine the exact level of insulin secretion and the insulin behaviour in the body. The computer analyses the data from the laboratory samples and the model shows whether the pancreas is releasing enough insulin and how responsive the body is to that release. Diabetes can develop from the pancreas failing to secrete enough insulin to regulate the level of sugar in the blood or when the secreted insulin proves to be ineffective.

There are about 12 million diabetics in the United States and Britain.

Says Professor Bergman: "Large groups of people are at risk. Because the disease can be controlled by insulin, some people think it's curable. It is not. And it has terrible long-term effects. It leads to kidney failure and vascular disease, and it is the leading cause of blindness in the United States".

"These and other complications occur even when diabetes is controlled by insulin, so it is important to develop earlier and better treatments".





New lease of life for lavatory

By Charles Knevitt
Architecture Correspondent

A disused Victorian public convenience in Lille Road Park,Fulham, west London,is being converted into an architect's office by Paul Brookes Associates for their own use.

The London Boroough of Hammersmith and Fulham offered their redundant loo for leasehold sale last March because of the installation of a new "super loo".Mr Paul Brookes acquired the lease with an option to purchase the freehold and expects to move into what will be known as The Old Conveniences next month.

The converted loo will provide just over 1,000sq ft of offices for the staff of five

Outlet sought in lakes dispute

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

Ministers are trying to defuse a dispute about reservoir safety which has led to some owners threatening to drain ornamental lakes before tougher safety rules are imposed in April.

The conflict centres on the difference between remote lakes and reservoirs from which a flood through a burst wall would pose no threat to human life and those near towns and villages from which a flood could swamp homes and streets.

The long-running dispute between landowners and ministers was made more sensitive last year by the burst and subsequent flood in northern Italy that claimed hundreds of lives.

Now Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Department of the Environment responsible for water supplies, has agreed to write to engineers' professional institutes about landowners' fears.

New rules due to start in April will cover about 2,000 lakes and reservoirs with water above ground level.

The rules will require owners of lakes holding more than five million gallons of water to accept and pay for safety precautions laid down by inspecting engineers.

The Country Landowners' Association, which represents many lake owners, wants Mr Patten to tell the engineers that their safety standards are unnecessarily tough.

The rules will also make it more expensive to drain lakes under independent supervision, so that some owners may drain lakes before April unless there is a settlement with engineers.

No lives have been lost in Britain from a lake burst since 1925, but there were six incidents classed as "emergencies" as recently as 1969.

The association would not name owners who had threatened to drain lakes, but said many felt that the new rules would force them to pay for safety work that was unnecessary because their lakes were too remote for a burst to pose a risk to life.

University news

Oxford
Elections
Richard S.Dunn, of Pennsylvania University, US, to be Harold Vyvyan Harmsworth professor of American history, in succession to the late Professor Herbert G.Gutman.

BRASENOSE COLLEGE
Open exhibitions in law: C Kerr, formerly of Westcliff HC for Boys, commoner of the college: G Mead, Kingsway HS, Chester, commoner: J Smith, Holywell HS, Clwyd, commoner.
Open scholarships in mathematics: P Bradshaw, St Aidan's RC School, Sunderland, exhibitioner; M Ellis, Peter Symonds College, Winchester, commoner: open exhibition in mathematics: S.Welham, Luton Sixth Form College

MAGDALEN COLLEGE
Fellowships in modern history: JBW Nightingale, of Magdalen and Merton from January 22: Mrs MTJ Webber, of Somerville and Watson, from October 1: fellowship in philosophy: Dr GP Gillett, of St Cross, from January 22.

ST PETER'S COLLEGE
Beecham Pharmaceutical award for chemistry: SA Fretwell, formerly of Ashville College, Harrogate, exhibitioner.

Cambridge
Elections
CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE
School teacher fellow commonership: Michaelmas term, RJ Mannix, of Crown Woods School, Eltham, London: Lent Term, Ruth E Webb, of St Martin-in-the-Fields High School, Tulse Hill, London: Easter term, DC Morgan, of Norwich City College.

York
Grants
Economic and Social Research Council: £58,870 to Professor MJ Chadwick to study acid rain in Europe and the development of regionally co-ordinated abatement policies.
World Wildlife Fund: £168,976 to Dr D Selby to research maximizing the educational efforts of environmental/development educators.

Manchester
Appointments
Senior lecturers: Dr SL Scher (basic dental sciences and oral oncology); Dr S French (mathematical statistics); Dr R Hartley (Operational research in mathematics) from October 1: Dr H Barrington (computer science); and Mr CR Whitehouse (general practice).
Lecturers: Dr LC Best (cell biology); and Dr Bradley (general practice).

Exeter
Grants
Government of Oman: £425,000 to the Centre for Arab Gulf Studies to develop study of the economics of the Gulf.

Science and Engineering Research Council: £42,566 to Dr BA Turner, sociology department, and Dr DI Blockley of Bristol University, to study engineering failures and the development of safety knowledge for construction projects; £43,070 to Dr MR Belmont, Dr JL Hesnhall and Dr DM Hollinshead for studies of end substituted synthetic antagens.
Ministry of Defence: £42,923 to Professor JC Inkson for theoretical work into the properties of quantum well super lattices.

Latest wills

£1million for art galleries

Miss Aileen Beatrice Woodroffe, of Witchampton, Dorset, left estate valued at £1,075,947 net.After various personal bequests, she left the residue to the National Art Collections Fund for the purchase of works of art (other than contemporary ones) by English galleries and museums.

Mr Charles Douglas-Home, of London NW, Editor of *The Times* from 1982 to 1985, left estate valued at £197,193 net.



Duncan Goodhew, the Olympic swimmer, helping to launch a scheme yesterday which offers up to £3million worth of free sports equipment to schools. Details of the offer are being sent to 35,000 schools in Britain (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Oldest priest dies at 106

The Rev H. Clement Williams, aged 106, who died yesterday at his home in Canterbury, was believed to be the oldest Anglican clergyman. He was ordained at St Paul's Cathedral 81 years ago. Much of his working life was spent in London and he retired as Rector of Warden, Kent, in 1953.

CHRISTIE'S WEEK IN VIEW

A selection from our 18 sales in London this week.

English Drawings and Watercolours: Tuesday 4 February at 10.30 a.m., King Street: Hunting scenes, landscape, foreign travel, botany caricature; all these especially English traits are represented in this comprehensive sale. *A verdant view of Balmoral* by Ebenezer W. Cook, and Robert Waite's *Harvesters lunching* show contrasting views of Victorian Britain. Sir Edward Coley Burne-Jones's *Raising of Lazarus* and John Dawson Watson's *Bathers* represent the more academic tradition.

Continental Pictures of the 19th and 20th Centuries: Friday 7 February at 11 a.m., King Street: This sale embraces most types of 19th century painting, from the sentimental pastiche of the 'Cardinal School' to the healthily efficient nordic nudes in chilly landscapes. The traditional Dutch view of landscape is represented by Pieter Kluyver's *Landscape with Haarlem beyond*, while *The Prisoners* by Eugenio Lucas y Padilla is a gloomy but impressive Goyaesque work. A view of Cologne Cathedral by Vincent Gormer, 1890, with paddle boats steaming at their pier, is an impressive work.

Fine British Ceramics: Monday 10 February at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m., King Street: The catalogue cover rightly features an extremely rare Bow blue-and-white inkpot, inscribed *Made: at New Canton 1750;* with an estimate of £10,000 to £15,000. It has pride of place in an interesting sale which ranges from medieval wares to the sophisticated products of Chelsea, Derby and Spode, most with that charming quality which distinguishes much of British ceramics in the 18th century. This charm is well shown in the Wedgwood basalt model of Hogarth's dog 'Trump' after Roubiliac's model, a version of which was seen at Christie's in the Wedgwood sale in 1781.

An Important Collection of French Paperweights: Tuesday 11 February at 11 a.m., King Street: Eighty-six examples of this shortlived art form which – almost literally – flowered in the mid-19th century, are the most important group to be seen on the market for many years. It is a comprehensive collection, ranging in value from a few hundred pounds to the heights of a possible £20,000 expected for a St. Louis, pink-ground lily-of-the-valley weight which is an apparently unique example.

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OBITUARY

DICK JAMES
Force in pop music publishing



Dick James, who died of a heart attack in London at the weekend at the age of 65, was an influential pop music publisher who played a formative role in the early career of Elton John whom he signed up, with lyricist Bernie Taupin, when both men were unknowns.

Reckoned one of the shrewdest music publishers in Britain, James also had a hand in helping the Beatles and many other leading pop names of the Sixties, to fame and fortune. But last year he was bested in the High Court by his principal protege when he lost a legal battle over royalties to Elton John.

James began his career as a singer himself, in a north London dance band, when he was in his teens. At 17 he was a full blown professional singing at the Cricklewood Palais and he soon graduated to sing with Henry Hall.

After the war came top billing with orchestras like Geraldo, and then, on the threshold of the pop era, he became a member of The Stargazers group in the early Fifties.Through them, he was heard widely on radio.

Nevertheless at this period, perhaps his greatest claim to fame was his singing the theme song to the television series *Robin Hood* which starred Richard Greene.But singing for *Robin Hood* was decisive to his career in another sense, as it was through the recording session's producer, George Martin, that James was subsequently to meet the Beatles.

James had already decided not to prolong his career as a vocalist and in 1953 had gone into music publishing with Sydney Bron, Eleanor Bron's father.In 1961 he founded his own company, Dick James Music (DJM) with which he was to make his fortune through his astute recognition of the talents of the then obscure Elton John.

Then, in 1962, George Martin introduced himn to Brian Epstein, who was trying to sell an unknown Liverpool group to an indifferent London. James, in another talent-spotting *coup-d'oreille, recognised* the Beatles' potential and fixed them a television appearance after their first Parlophone release. Thereafter he set up a company, Northern Songs, to publish Lennon and McCartney's compositions, launching himself onto a course which was to make him a millionaire.

During these years he handled a host of other top names including Billy J. Kramer, Gerry and the Pacemakers and Cilla Black.

But last year Elton John sued his publisher over the level of royalties from his songs and after a six month-long legal action a high court judge ruled in November that John and his songwriter Bernie Taupin were entitled to a greater income from a publishing, recording and management agreement they had signed with DJM in 1967 when they were 'young and inexperienced.

PROF ERSKINE WRIGHT

Professor Erskine Wright, who died on January 27 at the age of 83, was Professor of Humanity at the University of St Andrews from 1948 to 1962, a classical scholar who devoted a long and fruitful professional life to the cause of the universities and the imparting of traditional learning to the young.

Born in 1902 in Stirling in the house in which he lived until his death, Thomas Erskine Wright, son of two generations of the manse, exhibited all those qualities for which Scots scholars have been celebrated. A brilliant career as a pupil at Stirling High School and later at the University of Glasgow, culminated in a First in Honours Mods and Literae Humaniores at Balliol College Oxford, in 1928.

Among other honours he had also won the Chancellor's Prize for both Latin Prose and Verse.

Appointed an Official Fellow of Queen's College, Oxford, he remained there for 20 years as, in turn, Classical Tutor and Senior Tutor.

Elected to the chair at St Andrews in 1948, he was for a time Dean of the Faculty of Arts and in 1954 was appointed to the University Grants Committee.

Retiring early from his chair in 1962 he became Secretary and Treasurer of the Carnegie trust for the Universities of Scotland and was thus placed centrally and benevolently in the university scene in Scotland until his final retirement in 1969.

In particular he served on the founding body of the University of Stirling which awarded him an Honorary Doctorate in 1984.

As a teacher he influenced many, and they still speak at St Andrews of his last lecture in General Humanity, an occasion of rumbustious good humour on which he disbursed the class certificates with kenspeckle showmanship.

Although he extolled the virtues of what he rightly called 'the master language of western Europe' as being highly relevant to the precisions necessary to life today, he was no dryasdust scholar or technical ignoramus. A man, whose head was more often seen in public stuck under a car bonnet than in a volume of classical literature, must necessarily excite admiration for the technological virtues of an education based on the stern virtues of Latin prose unseens.

He often walked the hills of his beloved West Highlands, as he walked the heights of classical literature with his favourite poet, Horace, yet he was never afraid to descend to the market place to engage in the affairs of men in the defence of the standards and tradition of liberal education so dear to the Scots.

EDWARD BIBERMAN

Edward Biberman, the American artist whose murals were investigated for possible subversive content, during the witch hunts of the McCarthy era in the 1950s, died at his home in Hollywood Hills on January 27. He was 81.

Biberman, whose work was noted for its stark realism, had arrived in Los Angeles in 1936 and in 1939 was chosen to execute two murals for the Federal Building's post office.

However his brother Herbert, was one of the Hollywood 10 group of writers who were jailed during the McCarthy period for what were thought to be unacceptably left wing convictions, and it was felt that Edward's work, too, warranted scrutiny to ensure its political cleanliness.

Therefore in 1953 a group called the Native Sons of the Golden West, which had set itself to root out any subversion which might have attached itself to government property, inspected Biberman's work at the post office, but after due consideration, declared it free of leftist infiltration.

When the post office was eventually moved from the building in 1964, the murals were carefully taken down and stored, on account of their artistic merit.

Biberman's work was represented in many museum and university collections in the United States and his life-size portraits of Lena Horne and Dashiell Hammett were purchased by the Smithsonian Institutution's National Portrait Gallery.

SIR GRAHAM ROWLANDSON

Sir Graham Rowlandson,MBE,JP,FCA, has died aged 77 . Apart from conducting the affairs of his chartered accountant practice and the Rowlandson organisation, he dedicated most of his lifetime to public life, mainly centering around local government and medical appointments.

For the past 40 years he had conducted his life from a wheel chair having contracted poliomyelitis.

Amongst his dozens of appointments the most important were as a Common Councilman of the City of London from 1961 until his death and he also became chairman of the Finance Committee and many other senior committees of the Greater London Council.

He was chairman of Enfield Borough council for 1940-42 and was at sometime connected with every committee of the Middlesex County Council, of which he became chairman. He was also High Sherriff of Middlesex in 1958.

His connection with medical matters centered for 22 years on his chairmanship of the North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board from1952 until it ceased to exist in 1974.

It was his proud claim that he had for several years past had the longest entry in *Who's Who*.

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THE ARTS

Television

Battling bugs

Superbugs versus wonder-drugs was the theme of last night's **Horizon** documentary on BBC2, which reported on the contamination of half the hospitals in Melbourne by a strain of staphlococcus which was resistant to almost all known antibiotics.

The programme was not intended as a companion to the previous week's history of the discovery of penicillin, but there is a degree of logic in screening them as a pair. the Fifties and early Sixties, when it seemed that infectious disease might be eliminated, doctors are now facing the possibility that the benefits of the antibiotic revolution have been squandered by over-prescription, and that the virulent "Golden Staph" will be merely the first of a generation of microbes which, far from being controlled by drugs, thrive on them.

Since 1977, when the widespread presence of "Golden Staph" was acknowledged in Melbourne, the city's largest hospital has waged war on the microbe by old-fashioned but effective methods — strenuous pursuit of sterile procedures, ceaseless monitoring and in some cases the modification of hospital installations to make disinfection easier. It cost $2m in the laundry alone.

The professor of microbiology who spearheaded the operation happily has a robust Antipodean sense of humour, and lectured with the aid of slides of orang-utans to demonstrate the difficulty of communication to pig-headed, petty-minded medical staff. He marvelled that, in a situation in which infection was widespread and one-sixth of infected patients died, doctors still behaved like prima donnas when asked to take preventive measures.

Unlike the preceding penicillin film, this documentary was discursive and at times dull, and chose to offer on-the-spot coverage of a renewed outbreak of infection rather than follow up some of the more startling revelations — such as the length of time the public was kept in ignorance of the problem. Nevertheless it was a valuable record of what may be only the first stage of a worldwide medical problem.

Celia Brayfield

Galleries

Lively professionalism among the primitives

Whitechapel Open 1986
Whitechapel

Ken Kiff
Serpentine

Renata Surbone
Quinton Green Fine Art

Mark Wallinger: Hearts of Oak
Anthony Reynolds

The main lesson to be learnt from this year's Whitechapel Open exhibition, at the Whitechapel Art Gallery until February 16, is the extraordinary variety of styles and approaches available to today's artists, almost all of them equally acceptable to critical orthodoxy. If this makes the practice of art sound rather like putting together a meal from the self-service counters of a cafeteria, the impression sometimes seems not too far wide of the mark. On the other hand, it is probably preferable to the situation up to the quite recent past, when a readier metaphor might be that of selecting what to wear from a dictatorial couturier. The freedom of the moment can be abused, but at least it makes for stimulatingly unpredictable viewing.

So, this year in Whitechapel, you can find the visual melodramatics of the German and Italian Neo-Expressionists next to the camp Neo-Classical pastiches of Pittura Colta, hard-edged Sixtyish abstraction, splashy Fiftyish Abstract Expressionism and tranquil Seventyish Minimalism all jumbled together, and the relics of Pop Art on the same wall as meticulous Photorealism. Frequently, as one would expect with primarily young artists, the sincerest form of flattery is all too visible — a splash of Kiefer here, a glow of Uglow there, a heavy dose of Auerbach . . . But the overall effect is undeniably lively, and unexpectedly professional.

Unexpectedly, because the old image of the Whitechapel Open was of a Polytechnic self-educative kind of art, most of it from amateur or Sunday painters in the locality. But, though there has been, presumably, no diminution in the gallery's crusading fervour about bringing art to the people and the people to art, the last seven or eight years have seen a gigantic influx of professional artists into the area, in search of inexpensive studio space. Consequently, the natural balance of the potential exhibitors has changed, and now the handful of Sunday painters left (plus this year some invited child-art from local schools) look more and more like a token of purely historical significance. Unless, that is, the majority of the East End primitives have become indistinguishable from the professionals, or vice versa, in the present stylistic mish-mash.

It would be quite conceivable, for example, that a genuine primitive could paint one or two pictures like **Ken Kiff**, a middle-generation artist (50 last year) who is at present being recognized with a well-deserved retrospective at the Serpentine Gallery (until February 23). The difference is that a primitive, necessarily hit-or-miss in his effects, might manage it once or twice, but Kiff has been painting with amazing consistency, and an amazingly high rate of success, for more than 20 years now. He even proves to be one of the relatively few artists who benefit from showing in bulk: his curious world of private symbolism, full of dwarfs and monsters and anthropomorphic animals and plants, can seem arbitrary in small doses, but assumes an obsessive force and conviction when allowed to fill a whole gallery.

Nor, perhaps, is it as private as it first appears — not, anyway, if you follow the teachings of Jung. We learn from the catalogue that Kiff began to paint fantasy pictures in his mid-twenties (which could hardly have been more out of fashion around 1960), but found the results frightening and resorted to Jungian analysis. Through this he began painting a lengthy sequence of small works — there are now, it seems, some 200 of them — and found that way a kind of coherent infrastructure for his work. Certainly the same figures tend to recur in the same apparently horrific situations: trees bristle with human heads, monstrous women, even if labelled "generous, frightening and serene", spout blood or juggernaut down the street spreading death and disaster, and even in the psychiatrists's office ghosts and ghouls break irresistibly through the wall.

The images embodying fear or dislike of women have, of course, brought down a deal of feminist wrath on Kiff's head — though it is difficult to see why, if he is actually prey to these emotions, he should not work them out in paint. But, curiously enough, the overall effect of the show is not gloomy or violence-obsessed. In many ways Kiff's world is rather cheery: natural and supernatural, love and death, co-exist without apparent problems, and his rich and strange colours really light up a drab winter day in Kensington Gardens.

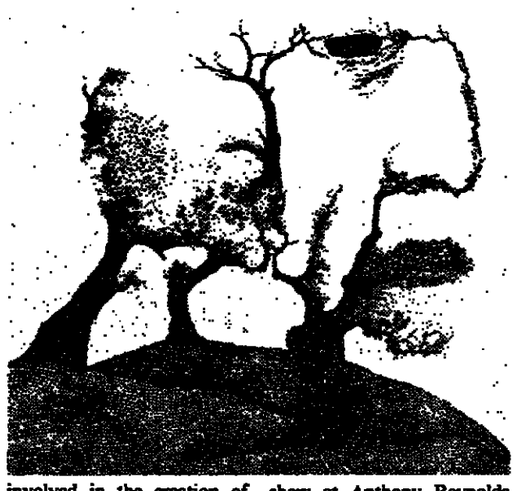
Renata Surbone is two years younger than Ken Kiff and has been living and working in London for the last 20 years. As can be seen from the show of recent works on paper at Quinton Green Fine Art until February 28, her approach is in its own way quite as single-minded and obsessive as Kiff's, and her style has evolved with equal disregard for passing fashion. Her medium is pen-and-ink on paper, sometimes with added washes of colour, but usually stark black-and-white. Her visual world is constantly in flux: rocks turn into people or people into rocks, her human nudes are covered with the scales of a reptile or a fish, or like Daphne seem to escape our inquisitive gaze by transforming themselves into trees. Even at her lightest, in the Archimboldesque fantasies where by changing focus we can read faces and figures in the accidental conformations of natural objects, she still manages to distil a sense of existential unease.

Apparently there is some specifically political concern involved in the creation of Surbone's uncomfortable images, but it would be impossible to guess just what it was without annotation. It is not too difficult to work out what in the outside world provokes Mark Wallinger's indignation, even were the title of his show at Anthony Reynolds (until February 17) not a clear pointer: in 1986 no one could call a show *Hearts of Oak* without bitterly ironic intent.

In fact, much of the raw material of Wallinger's complex images comes from evocations of an England on the eve of the Industrial Revolution: Gainsborough's Mr and Mrs Andrews posed in their ancestral acres, Stubbs's harvesters, an anonymous print of some gentleman's seat in the Home Counties. These are reproduced on plywood or packing cardboard, then carefully perverted or defaced to produce an image of a country going to the dogs, a society in decay or set to self-destruct. Not, I would imagine, that Wallinger is unaware of the anti-arcadian thesis embodied in John Barrell's *The Dark Side of the Landscape*, but Blake's Jerusalem makes a useful stick with which to beat modern times.

John Russell Taylor





Primitive or professional? — Jack Miller's *Cafe (Cups of Tea)* at Whitechapel; and detail from Renata Surbone's *Portrait Landscape, Il sussarro*, reading face and figure into natural objects

Rock

ZZ Top
Civic Center, Lake Charles

Although a low-profile start to their lengthy American tour, ZZ Top's performance at this small lakeside township in Louisiana was anything but understated. With a new stage-show and a revamped repertoire incorporating much of the material from *Afterburner*, the Texans captivated and delighted an 8,000 capacity crowd of their neighbours, using many imaginative and typically comic touches to highlight their increasingly sophisticated power rock format.

In dapper, matching long black coats, Billy Gibbons and Dusty Hill ranged the foreground hooking into tensile riffs and formation two-steps with thunder and an easy grace, while Frank Beard sat impassively at his leopard-skin-finished drum kit, his headphones providing a click-track to keep the tempi on perfect course.

The use of backing tapes on many of the newer songs gave the sound a distinctve textural edge, unique for a guitar trio; the thrumming synthesizer parts on "Legs" and "Sleeping Bag" and the lulling chords behind "Rough Boy" facilitated performances which were surprisingly faithful to the recorded versions.

Following an extraordinary moment of cartoon drama when Gibbons and Hill, their matching fur-coated guitars twirling full-circle, effected a disappearing trick of which Paul Daniels would have been proud, the stage set changed from a giant representation of a hot-rod dashboard into that of a hi-tech spaceship command module, and the band reappeared to play "Planet of Women".

Perhaps their greatest triumph was to blend successfully such pseudo-sci-fi imagery of the Eighties with a grand blues tradition as long as their beards, balancing the percussive oddities of the mysterious "Velcro Fly" against the heavy thud of "Jesus Just Left Chicago".

Despite the muted critical reaction to *Afterburner*, in performance it is clear that ZZ Top have consolidated the monumental success of *Eliminator* with a body of new material which confirms their sense of purpose as an Eighties band while preserving the integrity of their rock 'n' roll heritage.

David Sinclair

John Percival reports from Monte Carlo, where ballet flourishes again

Dreams made real

Once upon a time, and not so very long ago, the names Ballet and Monte Carlo were almost as closely linked as Shakespeare and Stratford. To restore such a condition is the ambitious purpose of a new ballet company just launched under what one gathers to be the very active presidency of Princess Caroline of Monaco. It will not be easy.

Times now are different from when Diaghilev found a refuge in the principality after being cut off from his Russian links. After Diaghilev's death, Monte Carlo was the nursery of both the rival companies which disputed supremacy as his true successor during the Thirties. Later, Serge Lifar and the Marquis de Cuevas successively launched companies there in the middle Forties, and Anton Dolin (like Lifar, a survivor from Diaghilev's company) found support for his struggling young Festival Ballet through the Fifties.

Part of Festival Ballet's problem was that the inspiration of Diaghilev's tours had made it more difficult for a company to survive by touring: a new generation of national or regional companies had appeared to take a grip on the market. Festival's breakthrough came in Monte Carlo when its contribution to the wedding celebrations of Prince Rainier and Grace Kelly was televised all over Europe.

Did the various ballet galas given around those nuptials play any part in causing Princess Grace to dream of giving new life to Les Ballets de Monte-Carlo? The idea persisted, and Balanchine and Nureyev were both, at different times, invited to direct the company. But it remained a dream until her daughter made it real.

As joint directors, she chose the French ballerina Ghislaine Thesmar and her choreographer husband, Pierre Lacotte. They are best known in Britain for the production of *La Sylphide* which Paris Opéra Ballet brought to Covent Garden in 1982, although they did also work here staging and dancing more modern pieces as guests with Ballet Rambert in 1966.

They took with them to Monaco two or three dancers from the Opéra and recruited others at auditions in Paris and New York. There are 37 dancers in all, mostly young and promising, plus two "permanent guest stars", Thesmar herself and Kevin Haigen, the American who is also the company's principal teacher.

At the one extreme, Lacotte has mounted *Giselle* using reproductions of the original 1841 settings and costumes, and the attractive Pas de Six from *La Vivandière* in Saint-Léon's choreography of that period. At the same time he invited three lesser-known choreographers to create an evening of new works.



Ghislaine Thesmar as the stylish woman in *24 Heures de la vie d'une femme*

One of Lacotte's creations is particularly apposite to Monte Carlo, being based on a short story by Stefan Zweig about a woman's brief adventure there with a younger man whom she unsuccessfully tries to wean away from gambling. Lacotte has updated *24 Heures de la vie d'une femme* by about 20 years so that its main action is set at the turn of the century, and Joaquin Torrents Lladó's settings are a ravishingly pretty series of familiar landmarks as they once were: the space outside the Casino (and the Opera House) amazingly rural, for instance, with trees flourishing where tower blocks now loom.

Unfortunately, Lacotte has not found a way in movement to parallel Zweig's device of framing the tale in a confession, years later, brought on by a similar incident. Thesmar gives a stylish performance as the woman and Paul Chalmar brings an anguished intensity to the young man. With a pastiche score by Hervé Niquet, *24 heures* looks a little thin spread over a full eveing; shortened and reshaped from two acts into one it might make more impact.

Concerts

LCS/Cleobury
Festival Hall

Two more victims of this winter: Sunday night's conductor and tenor soloist both fell ill before the London Choral Society's Britten concert. Nicholas Cleobury and Keith Lewis, who stepped in, gave us, I suspect, a somewhat different Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings and *St Nicolas* from those we would have been offered by Richard Armstrong and Anthony Rolfe Johnson. But they were busy, intelligent and assured performances which amply redeemed the evening.

The thought of Rolfe Johnson's warmly attuned responses to Britten's Serenade poems and of Armstrong's eagle-eyed projection of them had been irresistibly tempting: the experience of Lewis's lucid musical mind and strong, polished tenor, and of Cleobury's handling of the English Chamber Orchestra was both revealing and rewarding. The eyes, it is true, were pretty firmly glued to the music-stand, but some rare concentrated moments shot their way over the top to the audience. The "Nocturne", for example, with Michael Thompson, horn, had a marvellous command of air and space and Lewis was able to capture the nervous desperation behind the narcotic trance which Britten's music points in Keats's sonnet "To Sleep".

No sooner had the hushed casket of Keats's soul been sealed than his *Hyperion* was being evoked in a bright A major awakening. The vision of Apollo's "limbs celestial" at the end of the poem had inspired Britten in his American years to write a short piece called *Young Apollo* for piano, string quartet and string orchestra. It was not revived until 1979 at Aldeburgh, and given another welcome hearing on Sunday.

It was a freak out of its time: not until *Death in Venice* was Apollo to summon from Britten that mirage-like writing with its white-hot glissandi and wide-split chords. But the work compels from its very limitations. Its near-minimalist repetitions and driving amplifications have a cunningly kinetic effect which Julian Jacobson and the ECO recreated in all their brittle brilliance.

Hilary Finch

Tamas Vasary
Festival Hall

After all the high expectations it finally did not happen. A high temperature prevented Daniel Barenboim from travelling from Paris for his London recital, forcing his agents to look hastily for a hero to save the day. They found one, too, in Tamas Vasary, who though not in the best of health himself was even able to preserve the balance of Barenboim's programme, substituting two earlier Beethoven Sonatas for the scheduled "Hammerklavier" and Liszt's Italian *Années de Pelerinages* for the Swiss book.

It says much for Vasary that he has the soul of this music at ready command. One might have wished that the first of the Beethoven Sonatas, Op 26 in A flat, had begun with more fluidity, but he clearly sees this music as rather hesitantly ruminative. And the sharp bite of the Scherzo, the mournful chant of the Funeral March, and the brilliantly executed brittle counterpoint of the finale made for a satisfying cycle, without perhaps the breadths of the "Hammerklavier" but in its own way quite as profound.

For sheer control, however, nothing throughout the afternoon excelled the first movement of the "Moonlight" Sonata, Op 27 No 1. Here the exquisite care with which Vasary played every note compelled one to forget how hackneyed this music has become: it was almost disturbing in its seriousness and introspection. The same applied to the agitated finale, where Vasary's explosive playing hinted at things to come.

Yet explosiveness was far from being the only feature of the Liszt cycle, which passed by like a whirlwind. In "Sposalizio" and "Il penseroso" Vasary's sometimes idosyncratic shaping of phrases was helped by his warm singing tone, while he managed the gradual build-up through the three Petrarch Sonnets to the enormous "Après une Lecture du Dante" with compelling poetical sensibility, and the climactic movement itself was, until the final pages, a remarkable exhibition of controlled virtuosity. A pity, then, that it had to end in such a scrambled, ugly mess.

Stephen Pettitt

Theatre

Fine fit in Scottish clothing

Tartuffe Royal
Royal Lyceum, Edinburgh

It is difficult to assess precisely why Molière seems to have adapted so successfully into Scots in the past, but he certainly has done, and in this, Liz Lochhead's new adaptation of perhaps his most potent play, the tradition is more than consolidated. Lochhead's is a marvellously inventive and warmly funny verse translation that delights in transposing not only the spirit but the letter into the Scottish context and only begins where others might stop — with the undeniable gift of a premise that the tale of the religious fraud who worms his way into the home, heart and purse of the gullible property-owning Orgon cuts particularly close to the bone here.

The Scots are no strangers to the power of threatened hell-fire and damnation, and Andrew Dallmeyer's Tartuffe is a wincingly sly, grotesque perversion of the Wee Free minister, forging his hold on the weakest point of his victim's conscience with a combination of insinuation, ingratiation and chilling rhetoric. But bringing the hypocrite into close and identifiable range is only the starting-point.

In the array of characters brought closer to home by Lochhead's translation and lifted on to the stage in Ian Wooldridge's and Colin MacNeil's co-production is a cannily achieved blend of character and caricature, bringing to life the potential in the original — a comic machine that works by being so structurally exact and yet dependent entirely on the invention of those on stage for its precision to strike home. Here we have both sides of the equation and the characters, the more recognizable for being local, are the funnier and more caustic for being recognizable.

Behind the safety-curtain of comedy Molière is concerned with potent forces — power, sex and money — and the greed, guilt and hang-ups that attend them. While Tartuffe's success lies in his calculating and shrewd exploitation of a willingness to be led (and this production is set unobtrusively in the 1930s), his intrusion into Orgon's household lifts the lid off a whole range of delusion and self-delusion, scheming and machination, however comically handled.

Where Molière inserts a precise scalpel between mask and reality, Lochhead's translation builds on this beautifully, not only keeping the play in verse but using the power of rhyme and its comic possibilities to make language part of the theme. Characters use language as a mask, both to conceal and reveal, and work their way through a whole range of Scots idioms to suit their status and purpose. Their combination of local patter and verse is irresistibly funny, their coloquiallisms bringing them close to home, their awareness that they are speaking in rhyming couplets providing a buffer of unreality.

The cast enter into this with tremendous good humour and agility, particularly strong performances coming from Juliet Cadzow as the wise and witty maid, Anne Myatt as the sanctimonious harridan of a mother-in-law, Graham Valentine as the gently moderating Cleante and Andrew Dallmeyer as a snake-like Tartuffe, supple, soft and twice as evil.

Sarah Hemming

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THE TIMES

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Blast from reserves could sink sterling

Today's official figures for the movement of Britain's currency reserves, little remarked during the years of non-intervention, may prove more explosive than the normally significant numbers for money supply and bank lending. This is chiefly because all these statistics are of interest principally to foreign exchange markets – the key to all money markets – and because the reserves may give a clearer message.

In December, they fell by $416 million, clear indication of a significant support operation for the lagging pound. The pound has continued to sag. If the new reserve figures show that support also vainly continued, the market may give a knowing wink and mark sterling down again.

Yesterday's sharp setback in morning trading was less a response to specific news from the Opec ministers meeting than evidence of the currency's general weakness which halted its earlier recovery. News of a reserve fall greater than that in December (yesterday, talk of £500 million was common) would probably send sterling further on its way. De Zoete & Bevan see $1.30 or DM3.25 as the next support levels.

A hefty rise in money supply could do the same. But the foreign exchange men usually judge the figures against expectations rather than by absolute tests and this month City forecasts vary so much that they do not know what to expect. Stephen Lewis of Phillips & Drew is looking for a 1 per cent rise in sterling M3 (the measure ignored by the Chancellor but preferred by markets), a modest rise in the hitherto undershooting MO, but a return to a more usual £1.8 billion rise in bank lending. Panmure Gordon look for a crude £3.75 billion rise in bank lending, but possibly a fall in MO.

Pressure on the pound certainly puts the Chancellor on the spot. The apparent choice of taking the falling oil price on the exchange rate or on interest rates is not as simple as it looks. The normal market mechanism would translate a falling pound into higher interest rates as depositors, in effect, demand compensation for the currency risk. So, not putting interest rates up has actually required a determined policy to keep them down by the Bank of England pumping in money. Interbank rates remain determinedly above base rates, but without intervention base rates might be three points higher. A sharp new fall in sterling would almost certainly make it impossible to avoid another jump in base rates.

All that must affect Nigel Lawson's Budget thinking. He can be forgiven for going into purdah for reasons unconnected with secrecy. It must be tempting either to ignore the oil effect as having been worked out through exchange and interest rates, with some revenue still left for tax cuts, or even to compensate in fiscal terms for tightness in financial markets that he does not believe justified on domestic monetary grounds. Sadly, these factors cannot be separated from one another in the market dealer's eyes. After all, loss of oil exports might be deemed to require a compensating cut in domestic demand to avoid a trade gap. Certainly, there is a danger that any attempt to offset the domestic tightening that an oil-induced fall in sterling would naturally bring would again be interpreted by the markets as another sign that the British government is soft on inflation.

For that reason, perhaps, the smart political talk is that tax cuts can safely be delayed for a year because other events have necessitated a last-minute *general election. The Chancellor* should draw more comfort from the possibility that oil prices will have recovered somewhat from their present propaganda-depressed levels by the time he comes to deliver his Budget.

Meantime, it must be galling to see long-term interest rates coming down across the Atlantic and in Germany (where a 10-year loan was floated at 6.34 per cent yesterday, five points below comparable gilt-edged yields) while Britain, once more, loses out on this desirable turn of events.

British banks handicapped

Two weeks ago Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, argued strongly for a more international system of regulating securities markets as large institutions became prominent in more than one financial centre. Such a system is still in its earliest stages of planning but in the area of banking the attempt to harmonize the regulatory arrangements of different countries is further forward. The Bank is instrumental in this process, but yesterday it received strong support from Sir Timothy Bevan, chairman of Barclays Bank.

Addressing a gathering of distinguished names at the Overseas Bankers Club annual banquet, Sir Timothy, who is the club's president, called for a system of bank regulation which would be the same in every major country. Much remains to be done despite the efforts of the Basle Committee, and in the meantime British bankers have the distinct feeling that they are losing a competitive edge.

The Bank of England was one of the first regulatory agencies to impose a risk/asset weighting for off-balance sheet lending, currently one of the boom areas of international banking. While British banks are subject to a 0.5 per cent weighting, the banks of many other countries have no weighting requirements to meet.

Equally, capital ratio requirements vary widely from country to country, but Britain's are among the most stringent.

Sir Timothy is not, however, in *favour of harmonizing everything in* the City with practices elsewhere. He delivered a plea for restraint by international banks entering the City as a result of big bang in the amount they pay to employees. His argument against what he calls "grossly inflated remuneration packages" is not the disruption it causes to an orderly employment market in the City

Sir Timothy's objections are founded rather on the bad image inflated salaries give the City at a time when scandal seems to have become commonplace. Yet it is hard to avoid the impression that his plea has come too late.

Owing to technical difficulties associated with the transfer of *The Times* to Wapping, it is not yet possible to include all the regular services, especially market reports and financial statistics, including gilt-edged prices. They will be restored as soon as possible. Meanwhile we ask readers to bear with us during our temporary time of trial.

SE unveils plans to boost personal share ownership

By Jeremy Warner, Business Correspondent

Wide proposals to encourage share ownership among individuals were announced yesterday by the Stock Exchange.

Officials said the effect could be to boost share ownership in Britain from the present level of 6 per cent of adults to nearer the 17 and 18 per cent of the adult population who enjoy direct share ownership in France and the United States.

The proposals have been endorsed by the Stock Exchange council and its chairman, Sir Nicholas Goodison, who plan to give them the highest priority after deregulation of the securities industry has been pushed through in October.

Direct investment in equities has fallen seriously behind other methods of personal saving, such as building societies, pensions and life assurance, over the last 25 years. Stock Exchange officials said that recent privatizations, such as the British Telecom, issue had done little more than offset the inroads building societies were continueing to make into the personal savings pool.

The market's retail development advisory committee has drawn up a three-point plan to reverse the flow of savings away from direct investment in shares. Its main recommendations are to:

- Seek tax equality for share investment with other forms of saving;
- Initiate a marketing campaign to encourage individual investors to invest in shares and in particular to try to capture a proportion of the savings over £5,000 now held in building society accounts;
- Seek to reduce transaction costs for small bargains by developing an automatic small order execution service and establishing a Stock Exchange Nominee service which would ease access to the ownership of securities.



Sir Nicholas Goodison: top priority for promotion

The committee suggested that one method of achieving the first objective would be to copy the successful French *Loi-Monory* scheme. This allows for an additional tax-free allowance of around £500 to to be used to buy shares in a qualifying fund.

Another would be to introduce individual retirement accounts on the US model. Under those, designated annual contributions are put into a tax sheltered fund but withdrawals are fully taxed.

A third option suggested by the committee as a halfway stage would be for an individual to make contributions which are not tax allowable to a fund which would be allowed to accumulate "gross". Withdrawals would then be made free of tax at retirement.

The role of stockbrokers as investment advisers who can counsel individuals on achieving a balanced portfolio should be actively advertised both by member firms and the Stock Exchange itself, the committee says.

Building societies have been outstandingly successful in increasing their share of savings by advertising, at estimated promotional costs of £70 million a year.

Governor welcomes tougher safeguards

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, governor of the Bank of England, yesterday defended the City's reputation against accusations of fraud and dishonesty, but said new legislation would bring necessary improvements to the regulation of financial markets.

The governor insisted that many of the recent-highly publicized failures in the City have had only a tenuous connection with London's supervisory system. He pointed out that much of the problem with Johnson Matthey Bankers, which had to be rescued from collapse last year, was fraud on the bank by its own customers, not fraud by the bank itself.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton said that no system of supervision could be guaranteed to prevent fraud but there needed to be an effective method of detecting fraud. He welcomed the urgency with which the Roskill Commission report was being treated, which recommends changes to the way fraud cases are tried. He also supported the government inquiry into Lloyd's of London led by Sir Patrick Neill but added that all instances of fraud at Lloyd's had taken place before the 1982 Lloyd's Act which regulated the international insurance market.

New legislation contained in the Financial Services Bill and the Banking Supervision White Paper would give greater protection to private investors than to large institutions. This was correct because the institutions were expert enough to protect themselves, the governor said.

He added that however thorough the supervisory system became it should not take away the responsibility of a company's directors to use their own skill and judgement. Supervisors were not there to run companies instead of their directors and would not necessarily prevent the collapse of a financial institution because of bad business decisions.

Hire purchase hits record £19.5bn

By Our Economics Correspondent

Hire purchase and other instalment credit rose to record levels before Christmas, despite flat retail sales volume. At the end of December, £19.5 billion of consumer credit was outstanding.

New credit advanced was £1.177 billion, compared with £1.078 billion in November and the previous high of £1.124 billion in October. In December 1984, £969 million was advanced.

The figures, despite reaching record levels, may understate the true rise in consumer credit. The figures cover traditional hire purchase credit but not recent innovations such as in-store credit cards, including the popular Marks and Spencer chargecard.

Retail sales volume in December, originally estimated to have risen to a record,*actually fell* compared with November, after new seasonal adjustments are taken into account.

The index of retail sales volume was 117.3(1980 = 100) in December, compared with 117.4 in November. The peak was reached in August at 117.5.

Officials at the Department of Trade and Industry said that the pattern of retail sales remained as originally estimated. The poor summer produced strong retail spending in August followed by a slump in September and October and then the traditional November-December strength of sales.

Despite these monthly variations, last year was a good one for retail sales, with volume up by 4.2 per cent compared with the previous year.

The Retail Consortium said that the figures showed that 1985 was an extremely *successful year, despite the* slightly disappointing December sales, up 3.5 per cent on a year earlier.

Tesco sells discount store chain

By Our Industrial Editor

Tesco Stores, the supermarket chain, has sold its Victor Value discount stores to Bejam, the freezer centres group, in a deal worth £19.25 million gross.

The 45-store chain was launched by Tesco in 1982 to sell a limited line of goods at low prices in the Midlands, North West and London, with electronic point of sale (EPOS) used in every outlet to achieve the most efficient stock control.

The contribution of trading profits from the division to Bejam was expected to be sufficient from the outset to cover the overall funding cost of the acquisition.

Tesco said Victor Value had been useful for EPOS evaluation but the chain was now outside the mainstream of Tesco's developing superstore business. In the *current financial year, Tesco* is spending about £200 million in new-store developments and refurbishing.

IN BRIEF

£8.7m bid agreed

Thomas Robinson, the engineer and machine maker, has made an agreed £8.7 million bid for Wadkin, the woodworking machinery company.

The terms are one Robinson share for one Wadkin or a cash alternative at 165p a share. Robinson has received irrevocable acceptances from the Wadkin directors and their families for 18.2 per cent of the shares. The Robinson pension fund already owns 2.6 per cent.

Full acceptance of the bid would involve the issue of 4.8 million new shares in Robinson, or 55 per cent of the enlarged equity.

Wadkin is estimated to have made a loss in 1985.

Norsk rise

Norsk Data, the Norwegian mini computer company, lifted profits to NoK360 million (£34.3 million) from NoK233 million in the year to December 31. Tempus, page 18

FNF change

First National Finance has sent shareholders details of a proposed change in the existing group borrowing limit of £500 million to a new limit of no more than nine times adjusted share capital and reserves.

Listing sought

Hanson Trust is to seek a listing for its shares on the New York Stock Exchange. Rothschild Inc is to advise on the listing, which will take the form of American depositary receipts.

No dividend

Andre de Brett has not resumed dividend payments, despite a leap in pretax profits from £37,000 to £112,000 and a fall in interest payments from £76,000 to £64,000 for the six months to September 30.

US orders up

US factory orders for December rose 2.7 per cent against a revised 0.8 per cent November rise, while December construction spending *rose 2.8 per cent after falling* a revised 0.4 per cent in November, official figures released yesterday showed.

Property firm to raise £56m in unusual deal

By Judith Huntley, Commercial Property Correspondent

Wates City of London Properties, the company with a portfolio entirely comprised of office buildings in the Square Mile, is raising £56 million in an innovative funding package.

The company has negotiated a deal with five underwriting banks for seven-year money at a base of 0.03 per cent over Libor.

And a panel of 19 banks has bid to lend the company the £56 million at a better rate than that agreed by the underwriters.This fund-raising technique is common for large companies but unusual for small companies like Wates.

The loan facility is an attempt to lower interest rates and give the company the flexibility to call on the money when it needs it.

About one third will go to pay existing debt with the rest being used to finance Wates's development programme.

MEPC, the property company, is using the same method to raise £200 million

Boots to test laser system at tills

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Boots, the pharmaceutical retail chain, is planning to introduce electronic point-of-sale equipment at 170 of its bigger stores, using a new IBM system on offer for the first time in Europe.

A pilot system is to be installed soon at Boots' Peterborough store, and if that proves successful the bigger outlets among the 1,024-strong chain will be similarly equipped within three years.

At Peterborough Boots expects 70 per cent of goods sold to be bar-coded.

Boots will be the first European retailer to install the IBM 4680 system, which uses IBM AT personal computers. As well as being compatible with scanning, the system can be used for checking the validity of credit cards.

IBM said the cost of the system in a typical store with two AT machines and 30 terminals, and including software costs, would be less than £104,000.

West loses in steel production

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Steel production in the Western world stabilized last year at just under 450 million tonnes, less than one per cent higher than in 1984, and the established producers have suffered at the expense of the developing nations.

Figures released by the Brussels-based International Iron and Steel Institute show that total world steel output rose by 1.4 per cent to 720 million tonnes, but most of the increase came from the developing nations such as China and Brazil – both now ahead of the United Kingdom in the world league table – while the United States output dropped to just over 80 million tonnes from 84 million tonnes in 1984.

The United Kingdom production is estimated at 15.7 million tonnes for 1985, up by 600,000 tonnes but still way behind the 21.5 million tonnes produced in 1979 and representing a six-year fall of almost 27 per cent.

In total, the developing nations' output rose to 75 million tonnes, a rise of 38 per cent since 1979.

In Europe, the largest fall in steel production over 1984 was recorded in Belgium, down 5.4 per cent, while the West German and the United *Kingdom industries*, both of which would claim to have streamlined their operations more than the rest of the European Community nations, showed rises of 2.7 per cent and 3.6 per cent respectively.

The world's biggest steelmakers – the USSR and Japan – produced respectively 155.2 million tonnes and 105.2 million tonnes in 1985, a similar level to 1984.

Bowring

Results for the year ended 31st December, 1985

(Unaudited)

	£ million 1985	1984
Operating Revenue	137.1	111.7
Operating Expenses	(92.1)	(78.3)
Operating Profit	45.0	33.4
Other Income	2.4	1.4
Profit before tax	47.4	34.8
Provision for UK tax	(21.3)	(15.8)
Profit after tax	26.1	19.0

- Operating Revenue has increased by 23%.
- Profit before tax has increased by 36%.

The above figures do not constitute full group accounts for the Bowring Group and have been adjusted to comply with generally accepted accounting practices in the United States. Earnings of companies which were sold during 1984 and 1985 together with other items which are not relevant to operating performance have been excluded. The 1984 comparatives have been restated onto a basis consistant with that used for reporting the results of 1985.

The full financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 1984 of C. T. Bowring & Co. Limited have been filed with the Registrar of Companies and the report of the auditors thereon was unqualified. The full financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 1985 have not yet been reported upon by the auditors and have not yet been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

Copies of the announcement may be obtained from the Secretary, C.T. Bowring & Co. Ltd., The Bowring Building, Tower Place, London EC3P 3BE.

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Hawley pays £3.6m for golf company

Hawley Group, Mr Michael Ashcroft's Bermuda-based home improvements, security and contract cleaning company, has bought World Golf Management and its Montreal affiliate, International Golf, for C$7.2 million (£3.6 million).

The group markets all-inclusive golf tours from North America to 12 countries with particular emphasis on Scotland

The purchase will be satisfied by the issue of one million shares in Hawley and sufficient cash to add up to Can$5.5 million. The final Can$1.7 million will be paid one year after the completion of the deal.

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Continental Trust	12½%
Co-operative Bank	12½%
C.Hoare & Co	12½%
Lloyds Bank	12½%
Nat Westminster	12½%
Royal Bank Scotland	12½%
TSB	12½%
Citibank NA	12½%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

NEWS BACKGROUND

Sky-high loan rates too big a price for strong pound

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

When does a falling exchange rate not result in higher inflation? When it is as a result of a sharp drop in oil prices. The pound's slide over the past three weeks, which continued yesterday as the markets awaited hard news from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Vienna, has not yet upset the Treasury's inflation forecasts.

This is because there is a trade-off between the adverse effects on inflation of the pound's depreciation, and the beneficial effects that arise from lower world oil prices.

Although the pound has fallen by around 10 per cent, on average, from its levels early in December, the Treasury forecast of 3.75 per cent inflation by the end of this year may still be achievable.

This is even more the case if the authorities are correct in their judgement that part of the pound's fall reflects the natural tendency of the foreign exchange markets to overshoot and that the level that the exchange rate is likely to settle at – even with oil prices in the $15-20 a barrel range – is somewhat higher than yesterday

Economists at the stockbroker Laing & Cruickshank, using a version of the Treasury's economic model developed by Oxford Economic Forecasting, provide support for the view that "letting the pound take the strain," is likely to be broadly neutral in its effects on inflation.

Attempting to shore up the pound through higher interest rates, on the other hand, would require big increases in already high base rates.

The Treasury's economic forecast at the time of the Autumn Statement in November was based, it is believed, on an oil price of $26 a barrel and an exchange rate against the dollar of about $1.40.

Assuming a new oil price of $20 a barrel, the $6 a barrel drop will have an early impact on inflation – reducing the retail price index by 0.3 per cent.This is based on the rule of thumb that every 10 per cent fall in the oil price results in a 5 per cent drop in petrol prices charged to retailers.

This reduction is on the non-duty element of the final petrol price. After allowing for duty, which remains unchanged and is about half of the forecourt price, the pump price can be expected to fall by about 2.5 per cent for every 10 per cent drop in crude oil prices.

This 0.3 per cent reduction in the retail price index is the short-term effect. Longer term, a further 1.5 per cent cut in retail prices can be expected to feed through.

What also comes out of the model calculations, and these are likely to be broadly the same as those available to the Chancellor and his Treasury officials, is that defending the pound when it is falling because of sliding oil prices is expensive. According to Laing & Cruickshank, every $5 a barrel off the oil price knocks 15 cents, or around 10 per cent at current levels, off the pound.

By the same token, each 1 point rise in base rates pushes up the pound by about 1.5 per cent. In other words, trying to keep the pound up when oil prices have fallen by $5 a barrel would, on these calculations, necessitate about six percentage points on base rates. While another rise in base rates cannot be ruled out with this week's combination of Opec, money supply and reserves figures, the Treasury appears to have decided that there is a limit to the price it is prepared to pay for a strong exchange rate.

TEMPUS

BICC pension savings to put £10m on profit

BICC has found a cheap way of boosting profits. Like many other engineering companies, it has an overfunded pension scheme and it can therefore afford to cut its contributions to the scheme.

The unusual feature of BICC's plan is that the resultant saving will be used to boost profits. The decision, which has been cleared by the company's auditors, Arthur Andersen, will add £10 million to the pretax result in both 1986 and 1987, by when the surplus should have been cleared.

The company defends this move by pointing out that it has in the past charged the costs of increased pension contributions as and when they have occurred. This raises the question of what will happen to profits in two years' time, when contributions will be resumed. Will the company be able to keep profits moving forward?

The stock market, short-sighted as ever, was more concerned yesterday with the immediate attraction of a boost to earnings and the shares rose 10p to 298p. There was a similar reaction last year when Lucas Industries announced that it would boost annual profits by £20 million by the same method.

Dealers argue that the pension fund move is one of several factors now supporting BICC's shares. For example, yesterday was Mr Robin Biggam's first day as managing director of the company. Mr Biggam, best known for his work at ICL, has until recently been chief executive of EuroRoute, the defeated Channel fixed link consortium. Ironically, BICC is part of the succesful Channel Tunnel Group through its its Balfour Beatty subsidiary. Whether this switch of allegiance is enough to power the company forward two years hence remains tyo be seen.

Gilts

The kicking and gouging continued yesterday in the gilts and money markets, but such has been the sheer longevity of the present crisis that even the latent violence had a faintly rehearsed air to it. Oil fears and some particularly unchummy words from Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi oil minister, took the sterling index down at the opening from Friday's close of 74.6 to 73.3.

Taking their cue from this weakness, gilts opened about ½ point down, and that decline later widened to 7/8 point, after genuine selling in some volume. But the selling dried up almost immediately, and to the astonishment of some traders, prices drifted upwards, offering further proof that the gilt market in its current mode possesses an almost muscular resilience. By mid-afternoon, prices were some ½ point easier, but the underlying tone was firm.

Stupefaction at what was taking place in money markets might almost account for the inertia. It is possible to argue that yesterday saw yet another shift in tactics by the authorities, as they battle to contain the upward pressure on rates.

After announcing a shortage of £850 million, later revised downwards to £800 million, the authorities dealt twice during the morning, taking out nearly £600 million of the shortage. But the net effect of their activities during the afternoon was to leave some £100 million of the shortage still in the market.

Rates not surprisingly pushed ahead. Apart from one-month money, all the period rates, from overnight to six-month, went over the 13 per cent mark, providing some covert support for sterling in the process. But in the minds of market men, like Stephen Lewis of Phillips & Drew, this means only one thing – base rates are poised to rise. Conceivably, it is not now a question of whether rates will rise, but when and by how much.

Norsk Data

Norsk Data has two major handicaps that would floor most companies. It operates in the depressed world market for minicomputers and it is based in Norway, where the small size of the stock exchange would normally be a limiting factor.

Norsk Data overcomes these disadvantages, partly by having its shares listed on no fewer than seven markets.

Yesterday Norsk Data announced a 55 per cent increase in profits to NoK360 million (£34.3 million) for 1985 and disclosed that the current year had got off to an excellent start. It has, however, had to abandon a joint venture on artificial intelligence with Racal Electronics. On the whole it has avoided the market's doldrums , mainly because it is small and therefore more nimble than its mostly American competitors.

The problem is that if Norsk Data continues to grow at its present rate it will no longer be in the small category. But with short-term prospects looking bright the market was content to mark up the "A" shares to £39⅛ yesterday. Although vulnerable to sentiment towards high technology stocks, especially on Wall Street, the shares should continue to be attractive.

COMPANY NEWS

● **SMITH WHITWORTH:** Results for the six months to September 30: No interim dividend (nil). (£000): Turnover 1,462 (2,415) pre and posttax loss 129 (131 profit). No tax (0.5). Loss per share 3.26p (3.22p earnings). The loss for the six months is in line with the chairman's statement in August. The group will be back in profit in the second half and it is hoped that there will be a satisfactory outcome for the year as a whole. Careful Cut has made substantial progress during the past few months and is expected to contribute a small profit in the second half.

● **A & M GROUP:** The company has announced completion of the purchase of BBRK announced on January 16. BBRK'S business has good prospects for growth and is expected to contribute substantially to the profitability of the enlarged group.

● **WHITWORTH'S FOOD GROUP:** The chairman, Mr Tim Holt, said in his annual report that trading conditions remained tough but the company could face the future with confidence. It will continue a strategy of expansion within the food industry.

● **ELECTROLUX:** On estimated results for 1985 the board intends to recommend an increase in the div to SK7.5 (SK6.5). (Figures in SK10 million): Sales 39,500 (34,547). Income after financial items 2,575 (2,470) income before appropriations and taxes 2,750 (2,576). Earnings per share fully diluted SK20 (SK19). During the early part of 1985, demand in the group's most important markets, including the US, was weaker than a year earlier. However, towards the end of the year demand picked up slightly. Stiffer price competition was noted for several of the most important product groups. The restructuring of Zanussi – which is not yet included in the consolidated figures – is proceeding in accordance with the group's plans. The company has reported a net profit each month since last September.

● **NEW COURT NATURAL RESOURCES:** Results for the six months to September 30 (comparisons restated) show that the company is missing the interim dividend (nil). With figures in £000, turnover slipped to 2,012 (2,221), gross profit to 700 (1,171) and pretax profit to 213 (919).

● **Northgate Exploration:** Northgate has agreed to sell its 10 per cent stake in Tara Exploration and Development for C$12.57 million (£6.16 million) to Outokumpu Oy, the mining group controlled by the Finnish government. Outokumpu intends to make a cash offer "as soon as practical" to purchase all of Tara's outstanding shares at C$19.00 per share. Northgate owns 661,741 (10 per cent) and Noranda owns 3,212,686 (48 per cent) of the total outstanding shares.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shares turn nervous on oil and rate worries

By Our City Staff

Increasing concern over the prospect of a further rise in base rates coupled with unease over the outcome of the Opec talks in Vienna left the stock market in a jittery mood yesterday. Apart from takeover targets there were widespread falls throughout most sectors.

The stores sector in particular suffered from a likely increse in interest rates and some shares suffered double figure falls.

But attention was focussed on the oil ministers' talks and their consequent effect on the pound which fell back as crude prices continued to slide.

Along with stores, buildings and other consumer durables felt the pinch.

However, there was a spin-off from the pound's ailments – as it slipped below 1.40 – in that companies with American involvement benefited on hopes of an increase in business.

Jaguar raced ahead 18p to 408p, **ICI** rose 10p to 826p and **Glaxo**, the pharmaceutical company, moved up to 875p for an increase of 12p. Currency considerations also boosted **BOC** 7p to 297p.

In a dull oil sector **BP** lost 10p at 568p, **Lasmo** surrendered 5p at 180p, and **Shell** fell back 3p at 673p. But **Tricentrol** was bolstered by continuing bid talk and went 5p better at 145p.

Elsewhere on the bid front, **Extel** - the target of an ambitious £173 million consortium offer - eased off 9p at 386p. The market is still talking of a rival offer, perhaps from United Newspapers, which lost a battle with Extel several years ago for control of Benn , the publishing business, or Mr Robert Maxwell's BPCC organization.

There was continuing support for estate agents **Mann**, with the shares up 6p at 234p. **Wadkin** and **Thomas Robinson** came back from suspension with an agreed merger. Wadkin closed at 191p against a suspension price of 170p and Robinson finished at 193p against 182p.

BL was 6p ahead at 39p on the possible sale of its truck and bus division to General Motors.

Davenports, after predictably rejecting the new bid from Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries, fell 15p to 395p. Everything now depends on the reaction of the charitable trust which sits on 20 per cent of the Davenports equity. If it decides to follow the board's line then the new £34 million offer will lapse.

Profit-taking clipped 8p off **Amstrad** at 248p and **Westland** fell 5p to 125p ahead of the next shareholders' meeting.

Bullough was 15p to the good at 226p on a 22 per cent rise in profits while **Textured Jersey** finished 8p better at 123p following half year earnings 68 per cent ahead.

BICC found support following its "pensions holiday" with the shares rising 8p at 296p. **Acorn**, the computer company, dipped 6p at 78p. The co-founders of the business have unloaded more shares.With figures due soon, **Reuters** was buoyant gaining 7p at 385p.

Banks were out of favour.The market took the view that the Third World debt burden could worsen on the back of the problems in the oil sector and **NatWest** suffered from the reaction with a 10p fall at 684p. Its stablemate **Lloyds** finished 8p lower at 449p.

The worries about dearer interest rates unsettled the stores sector. Dealers took the view that shoppers would up with less disposable income. **Burtons** felt the brunt with a fall of 11p to 540p. **Dixons** was 7p easier at 967p, and **British Home Stores** slipped a similar amount at 298p.

Rothmans,the tobacco company, was 5p lower at 132p following ;disappointing figures reported by its Canadian offshoot.

●After a bumpy ride the FT Index was down 5.7 at 1155.3.

EXCHANGES

The market settled down after pressure on the pound slackened but it remained very sensitive with few operators anxious to open new positions as the Opec meeting in Vienna got under way.

The pound, although off the bottom, was still well down. It showed a fall of more than 2 cents, while its trade index fell to 73.5 from 74.6 overnight.

The pound was off low positions plumbed against leading continentals, recovering against the mark to 3.3300 against 3.3707 overnight.

A pessimistic statement from Saudi Arabia on oil production quotas was responsible for the pound's fresh decline.

The dollar, meanwhile, rallied well from a lower opening. It was up against the mark at 2.3950 (2.3870). Swiss francs were cheaper 2.0320 (2.0270).

MONEY MARKETS

Rates were soon sharply higher with gains to a quarter of a point in the periods as the sharp fall in the pound made itself felt. With sterling falling on oil price fears, money markets ran for safety. Long dated paper was turned out to the Bank of England in an early round of bill purchases totalling £413 million.

Houses were striving to square their books as early as possible so as not to be exposed, even though markets were quiet

Tactics appeared to be more defensive than aggressive ahead of today's money figures with the possibility of a sharp rise in Mo.

APPOINTMENTS

Valkyrie Motor Holdings : **Mr Eamon Bradley** has been named as managing director and will succeed Mr Basil Brandon.

British Airports Authority : **Mr W.C. Shaw** is to be the new group finance director .

The De La Rue Co: **Mr John White** has been elected to the board and is now finance director.

Freeman Fox : **Mr Derek Wolstenholme** will become senior partner following Mr Jack Edwards' retirement on April 30. He will also become chairman of Freeman (Holdings).

St Lawrence Fluorspar: **Mr Donald Jamieson**, formerly Canadian High Commisioner to Great Britain, has been appointed a director.

Sims Catering Butchers: **Mr Brian Glynn** has been appointed a director.

Northern Foods: **Mr Martin Clark** joins the board as group finance director. He succeeds Mr Jack Clayton, who is reducing his responsibilities but continuing as a director.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

101	87	Atlas	99	+1	3.1h	3.1	38.4
686	580	Alliance	685	..	26.1n	3.8	32.6
155	118	Amer Trust	138	..	4.3	3.2	34.3
302	245	Ang Amer Sec	291	..	8.1	2.8	52.4
154	123	Ashdown	154	+1	4.4	2.9	48.6
120	88	Atlantic Assets	110	+½	0.8	0.7	..
105	83	Bankers	104	● ..	3.9h	3.8	39.0
194	152	Berry	163	-1	1.5	0.9	
195	152	Border & Sthrn	195	+1	5.1	2.6	53.4
57	47½	Br Assets	57	+½	2.7	4.7	31.8
33½	25	Br Empire Sec	32½	● ..	0.7	2.2	44.5
374	312	British Inv	371	●+1	20.9h	5.6	22.8
83	64	Brunner	83	..	3.1h	3.7	37.7
89	72	Charter Agency	87	..	3.3h	3.8	37.5
685	525	Continental	680	●-5	30.0h	4.5	31.5
178	119	Crescent Japan	164	+6	0.5	0.3	..
115	97	Derby Inc	108	● ..	12.0	11.1	12.9
127	95	Do Cap	110	..	..	..	..
330	264	Drayton Cons	315	-3	14.3	4.5	31.0
148	112	Drayton Far East	140	+2	1.6	1.1	82.1
472	348	Drayton Japan	472	+12	3.6h	0.8	..
528	383	Drayton Premier	516	+5	18.2	3.5	40.2
199	160	Dundee Lon	181	+3	7.7	4.3	32.2
118	89	Edin Amer Asset	108	..	0.9	0.8	77.7
125	103	Edinburgh	124	..	4.6h	3.7	41.8
302	254	Electric Gen	295	●+3	5.6h	1.9	67.0
142	114	English Intl	138	● ..	5.0	3.6	40.8
79	65	English Scot	78	..	1.9	2.4	55.7
117	91	English NY	117	+1	3.6	3.1	43.3
126	85	Ensign	125	..	2.0	1.6	70.0
97	76	F & C Alliance	92	●+1	2.5	2.7	52.0
166	122	F & C Pacific	162	+6	1.8h	1.1	36.3
248	186	Family	239	+2	11.3h	4.7	34.6
295	242	First Scot Amer	292	+1	12.9h	4.4	41.1
185	80	First Un Gen	120	..	8.7	7.3	10.1
590	415	Fleming American	510	+4	7.5	1.5	82.3
303	235	Fleming Claver	292	● ..	14.5	5.0	28.1
268	233	Fleming Enterprise	267	-1	12.1	4.2	35.1
108	78	Fleming Far East	96	●+4	1.5	1.6	95.0
113	100	Fleming Fledgling	111	..	3.6	3.2	42.7
580	405	Fleming Japan	534	●+14	5.7	1.1	..
132	105	Fleming Mercantile	126	-1	4.3	3.4	40.9
134	100	Fleming Overseas	130	● ..	3.9	3.0	43.0
163	130	Fleming Tech	148	● ..	3.3h	2.2	63.0
343	268	Fleming Universal	343	..	7.1h	2.1	41.9
74	59	For Col	73½	..	2.0h	2.7	58.5
121	91	GBC Capital	95	●+1	..	..	..
185	115	GT Japan	137	+7	2.0h	1.5	93.8
145	97	General Funds	145	+2	2.7	1.9	85.6
286	230	General Cons	278	..	14.3h	5.1	29.9
125	103½	Glasgow Stock	116	..	2.9h	2.5	50.0
311	251	Globe	308	●-1	14.5	4.7	29.6
270	202	Greenfriar	248	+2	2.4	1.0	..
275	220	Gresham House	230	..	6.3	2.7	28.4
171	138	Hambros	170	● ..	6.1	3.6	32.6
282	226	Hill (P)	273	●-1	13.8	5.1	28.0
550	448	Invest-in Success	550	+5	7.8	1.4	95.8
254	208	Inv Cap	250	..	6.6	2.6	63.5
62	41	Japan Assets	49	+1	0.1	0.2	
161½	127	Lake View	156	+4	3.3h	2.1	58.9
196	162	Law Debenture	196	..	8.8h	4.4	28.8
86	60	Lon Merchant Sec	84	●-1	3.2	5.0	16.4
89	66	Lon Trust	89	..	8.1n	8.8	23.4
108	86	Merchants	107	-1	5.4h	5.0	35.9
174	133	Monks	170	●-2	3.4h	2.0	75.9
136	106	Murray Income	131	● ..	7.7h	5.9	25.6
144	112	Murray Intl	142	+1	6.4n	4.5	31.6
236	183	Murray Small	236	..	3.9n	1.7	
333	289	Murray Venture	327	+3	7.9	2.4	58.6
408	354	New Court	393	● ..	20.4	5.2	27.3
77	61	New Darien Oil	62	-2	0.5	0.8	..
178	153	[illegible]	169	-2	6.7	4.0	30.2
54	37	Nthrog Inc 83	50½	● ..	4.2h	8.3	18.0
243	157	New Tokyo	212	+8	1.1	0.5	..
324	245	Nth Atlantic Sec	295	●+1	4.9	1.7	82.2
123	74	Nth Sea Assets	76	..	0.7	0.9	88.4
296	227	Nthn Amer	295	+1	7.7	2.6	53.9
149	126	Outwich	147	●-2	4.4	3.0	42.6
101	62	Pacific Assets	76	+3	..	..	..
43	30	Do Wrnts	35	..	..	..	..
48	32	Personal Assets	40	..	0.3	0.8	..
367	292	Raeburn	345	● ..	15.0	4.3	35.0
151	125	River & Merc	151	..	7.9h	5.2	30.0
244	198	River Plate	225	-1	10.7	4.8	31.3
224	168	Robeco	222	+5	..	..	..
196	150	Rolinco	194	+1	..	..	..
290	228	Romney	271	+1	6.8h	2.5	60.6
12½	10	Rorento	12½				
119	96	St Andrews	119		4.1	3.4	40.3
318	239	Scottish	302	●-2	8.5	2.8	52.9
285	211	Scot American	276	+1	8.4	3.0	48.5
94	73	Scot Eastern	82	..	2.9h	3.2	48.9
423	345	Scot Mtge	422	..	10.7h	2.5	52.0
258	204	Scot Nat	256	●-1	6.9	2.7	47.9
418	354½	Scot Merc 'A'	418	●-2	25.0	6.0	21.0
595	500	Second Alliance	580	+2	23.2	4.0	33.8
143	108	Sec Of Scotland	141	-1	6.9h	4.9	33.5
78	61	Smaller Cos	68	-1	1.7h	2.5	39.9
38½	32	Stewart Enterp	38	..	0.6	1.6	..
146	110	Stockholders	132	..	4.0	3.0	41.1
100	76	TR Australia	89	●+2	3.1	3.5	31.3
103	78	TR City Of Lon Dfd	100	●+1	5.6h	5.6	28.0
167	137	TR Ind & Gen	167	● ..	5.4h	3.2	44.3
255	197	TR Natural Res	214	●+1	10.7	5.0	27.2
111	79	TR North America	94	+1	2.6h	2.8	47.7
148½	111	TR Pacific Basin	131	+5	1.4h	1.1	..
152	129	TR Property	144	● ..	5.3	3.7	35.8
101	79	TR Tech	98	..	2.5	2.6	53.6
152	124	TR Trustees	143	● ..	6.3h	4.4	33.4
145	111	Temple Bar	140	-1	7.1h	5.1	28.4
264	211	Throgmorton	254	-1	10.7h	4.2	37.6
333	248	Throg Secured Cap	303				
167	137	Trans Oceanic	160	●-3	5.5	3.4	40.1
120	103	Tribune	115	-1	3.3	2.9	39.2
82½	72½	Triplevest Inc	80	..	14.7	18.3	8.6
235	188	US Debenture	224	..	9.3h	4.2	52.3
82	58½	Viking Resources	60	●-1	1.7	2.8	47.6
85	61	Westpool	67	●-2	2.2	3.3	48.2
110	84	Winterbottom Energy	88	● ..	3.6	4.1	37.4
172	139	Witan	169	● ..	4.2	2.5	60.4
290	259	Yeoman	287	-2	13.6h	4.7	33.1

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

575	260	Akroyd & Smithers	550	● ..	25.0	4.5	13.4
57½	28½	American Express	£38½	●-1¼			
43	19	Argyle	35	+½	1.4	3.9	19.1
95	37	Boustead	37	..	n	..	
155	88	Britannia Arrow	133	-1	6.0	4.5	15.1
15¼	850	Daily Mail	£14½	●-½	69.3	4.8	10.1
14½	650	Do 'A'	£13½	●+½	69.3	5.2	9.4
142	113	Electra	136	● ..	5.4	4.0	34.6
101	73	Eng Trust	93	+1			
248	176	Exco	212	..	4.5	2.1	16.9
85	60	Exploration	70	..	3.0	4.3	12.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Framlington	385	..	7.1	1.8	17.9
98	56	Frost Gp	87	● ..	5.7	6.6	12.0
105	44	Goode (D & M)	96	..	1.8	1.9	16.7
10½	578	Henderson Admin	£10	● ..	25.7b	2.6	14.4
188	163	ICH	176				
405	300	MAI	325	-5	22.9b	7.0	8.5
875	388	M & G	800	-10	21.4	2.7	24.3
389	217	Mercantile House	267	-5	18.9	7.1	7.2
113	75	Pacific Inv Tst	87	+4	0.5	0.6	79.8
41	18	Do Warrants	17½	+..			
211	93	Smith Brothers	185	● ..	9.3	5.6	19.3

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Assets & Earns	84.7	90.5	+0.3	1.62
Capital Reserve	60.6	60.9		
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US Emerging Co's	59.2	63.7	+2.2	0.41
Equitas Progress	175.3	186.6	-0.3	4.09
MasterIstAcc	53.4	56.8	+0.9	1.76
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	194.0	206.6	-0.7	3.70
Growth & Income	117.0	124.6	-0.5	3.58
Capital Trust	205.3	218.6	-0.4	3.01
Balanced	311.5	331.7	-1.1	3.62
Accum Trust	477.2	508.2	-1.2	3.21
American Income	29.1	31.0●	+0.5	4.19
High Income Tst	212.2	226.0	-0.7	5.12
Equity Income	114.1	121.5	-0.2	4.45
High Yield	123.4	131.4	-0.4	6.31
Govt Secs Trust	27.5	28.7	-0.1	10.03
International	67.3	71.7●	+0.9	1.39
Japan Fund	72.2	76.9	+2.3	0.01
Pacific Trust	127.8	136.1	+3.3	1.32
Amer Spcl Sits	62.1	66.1	+0.8	1.24
Secs Of Amer Tst	190.3	202.7	+3.7	0.69
Ald Asset Value	190.1	202.4	-0.9	3.84
Gilt Growth	33.1	34.5	-0.1	3.28
Smaller Co's	102.4	109.1●	+0.5	2.81
2nd Smaller Co's	138.8	145.7	+0.2	2.75
Recovery Trust	66.8	71.1	-0.2	2.63
Met Min & Cmdty	63.6	68.0	-0.6	2.22
O'seas Earnings	162.8	173.4●	-0.3	3.42
Technology Tst	86.9	92.5	+1.3	1.24
Income Exempt	105.1	111.4	+0.1	6.37
Exempt Smaller Co's	192.0	203.5	+1.3	3.08
USA Exempt Trust	307.8	326.1	+6.0	1.09
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES 131 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9876 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	50.0	53.4	..	1.97
Do Accum	55.9	59.7	..	1.97
Eastern & Intl	99.3	106.1	..	1.88
Do 6% Wdrawal	54.7	58.4	..	1.88
Finance & Property	52.4	56.0	..	2.61
Gilt & Fixed Income	42.7	45.1●	..	9.60
Do Accum	71.0	74.7●	..	9.35
High Income Income	63.0	67.3●	..	6.03
Do Accum	146.1	156.2●	..	6.03
High Yield Income	63.3	67.7	..	8.56
Do Accum	161.6	172.8	..	8.56
Intl Inc	62.5	67.1	..	2.72
Do Acc	64.1	65.5	..	2.72
Do 5% Wdrawl	60.7	65.1	..	2.72
Managed Fund	53.8	56.7	..	..
Preference Income	26.2	28.0	..	11.54
Do Accum	81.7	87.3	..	11.54
Smaller Co's Income	109.0	116.5	..	2.52
Do Accum	117.5	125.6	..	2.52
World Penny Share	8.7	9.3	..	1.58
Portfolio Tst UK	66.4	66.8	..	1.85
Portfolio Tst Japan	64.5	66.8	..	0.10
Portfolio Tst US	69.3	71.8	..	1.12
Portfolio Tst Europe	85.8	88.9	..	0.10
Portfolio Tst HK	41.2	42.6	..	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD 3 Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-225 2581 (Dealers 031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (32)	352.8	388.0	..	1.38
Japan Ex (43)	245.1	255.4●	..	0.34
UK Ex (31)	177.2	188.5	..	1.49
P'sal Pens Intl	368.8	388.2	+51.0	..
P'sal Pens UK	147.1	154.9		
BG America	148.8	158.3	+3.9	0.60
BG Energy	108.4	113.2	+2.7	1.81
BG Income Grwth	161.2	171.5	-0.6	5.70
BG Japan	121.7	129.5	+4.4	0.00
BG Technology	158.9	169.1	+2.4	2.01
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS 25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD 01-491 0295				
American	44.7	47.9●	-0.2	0.80
Australian	19.8	21.2	-0.3	2.74
Japan & General	71.4	76.4	+2.8	0.22
High Income	41.6	44.5	..	8.07
International Trust	66.0	70.6	..	1.22
Income Gth Tst	40.9	43.8●	..	4.78
Gilts & Fixed Int	64.8	69.3	-1.4	6.15
Global Markets	31.8	34.1	..	2.19
Special Situations	38.4	41.1	..	1.62
BARCLAYS UNICORN Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5544				
America	82.5	87.7	+2.4	2.39
Aust Accum	143.8	153.0	-0.6	1.82
Do Income	102.8	109.3	-0.4	1.62
Capital	60.1	63.9c	-0.1	3.42
Exempt Trust	363.6	386.9	-2.9	4.35
Extra Income	62.0	65.9	-0.3	6.14
Financial	200.5	213.2	-0.2	3.61
500	222.6	236.6	..	3.65
General	120.2	127.8	-0.1	3.49
Gilt & Fixed Inc	49.8	53.1	-0.3	10.46
Japan & Gen Inc	120.2	127.8	+3.2	0.64
Do Acc	121.3	129.0	-3.2	0.64
Growth Accum	156.9	166.9	..	2.78
Income Trust	279.6	297.4●	-0.9	4.11
Leisure Trust	70.5	75.0●	+0.6	1.82
Special Situations	121.4	129.1	-0.2	2.78
Recovery	160.2	170.4	-0.6	3.00
Trustee Fund	92.3	98.1	-0.2	3.41
Univ Tech Accum	48.5	51.5	-1.0	0.60
Do Income	48.2	51.2	-0.9	0.60
Worldwide Trust	133.3	141.8●	-3.5	1.18
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	270.4	287.6	-1.5	3.85
Do Inc	177.3	188.6	-0.9	3.85
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156 Beckenham Kent BR3 4XQ 01-658 9002				
Australia	53.1	56.7	-0.4	0.60
Eastern	44.5	47.5	+0.5	0.80
Europe	88.7	94.8●	+1.5	0.90
Growth & Inc	54.6	58.7●	..	2.30
Do Accum	82.1	88.2●	..	2.30
First Japan	58.2	62.2	+1.6	0.30
Japan Special	73.3	78.3●	+1.8	0.30

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Japan Sunrise	74.3	79.4	+2.2	0.30
First Smaller Co's	57.1	61.3●	-0.4	2.70
First Europe	79.1	84.5	+1.2	0.80
First N Amer	47.5	50.8	+1.0	3.40
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT 59, Gresham St, London EC2P 2DS 01-606 4433				
Planned Inv	103.0	109.6	..	2.93
European Inc	72.2	75.9●	-0.4	1.38
Do Accum	88.5	92.8●	-0.5	1.38
General Inc	131.3	139.7●	+0.2	3.83
Do Accum	177.7	189.1●	+0.2	3.83
Gilt Yield Inc	105.7	109.0	-0.5	9.91
Do Accum	162.7	167.8	-0.6	9.91
High Yield Inc	71.6	78.2●	+0.4	6.58
Do Accum	139.4	148.4	+0.8	6.58
Japan Income	167.5	178.2	+3.4	0.32
Do Accum	168.1	178.8	+3.3	0.32
N American Inc	44.8	47.7●	+1.3	1.05
Do Accum	51.9	55.2●	+1.5	1.05
Pacific Income	104.3	109.9	+2.5	0.55
Do Accum	117.2	123.4	+2.8	0.55
Smllr Co's Inc	63.5	67.6	+0.4	2.36
Do Accum	74.6	79.4	+0.4	2.36
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST 74-78 Finsbury Pavement London EC2A 1JD 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9 MoneyGuide 0800-010-333				
Growth Gilt	55.5	58.3	-0.1	1.11
Intl Recovery	91.3	97.4	..	2.30
Smaller Co's	122.0	130.1	+0.3	1.62
UK Growth	34.0	36.3	..	2.17
Extra Inc	52.2	55.7●	+1.7	9.16
Gilt	24.2	25.5	..	8.18
Inc & Growth	173.4	185.0	-0.7	4.74
Nat High Inc	170.2	181.5	-0.5	5.20
Pref Shares	18.2	18.4	+0.1	10.15
Commodity	134.2	143.1	+0.5	2.69
Financial Secs	39.1	41.7	-0.1	2.47
Gold & Gen	20.8	22.4	+0.1	2.71
Intl Leisure	15.0	16.0	+0.3	1.14
Prop Shares	51.5	54.9	+0.4	1.55
Univ Energy	44.3	47.3●	+0.3	0.82
World Tech	42.8	45.7	+0.6	0.68
Amer Growth	94.8	101.1	+1.8	3.17
Amer Income	56.9	60.7	+0.5	5.91
Amer Smaller Co's	23.0	24.5	+0.3	1.95
Aust Growth	70.9	75.8	+0.1	0.47
Euro Smaller	12.6	13.4	+0.1	0.43
Far East	36.6	39.0	+0.9	1.20
Hong Kong Prf	23.7	25.3●	+0.4	3.68
Intl Growth	31.8	33.9	+0.6	2.08
Japan Perf	42.6	45.4●	+1.8	..
Japan Smaller	12.0	12.8	+0.4	..
Exempt	68.3	71.5	-0.5	4.05
Exempt Market	64.7	67.7	..	4.14
BROWN SHIPLEY 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
BS Fund Income	51.3	54.9●	-0.2	4.26
Do Accum	86.0	92.0●	-0.4	
Financial	108.0	116.1	-0.4	2.12
Growth Accum	158.0	169.1	+0.2	
Do Income	102.0	109.1	+0.1	2.01
High Income	55.7	59.9	-0.3	7.04
Income	64.4	69.3	-0.3	5.84
North American	56.6	59.8	+0.8	1.20
Orient	56.0	60.0	-2.1	0.20
Recovery	29.9	32.0	-0.3	3.31
Technology	133.8	142.9	+3.2	0.60
German	30.1	32.0	+0.4	2.00
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	178.9	188.4	..	4.04
Do Accum (4)	281.7	296.7	..	4.04
Income Fund (3)	85.0	89.2	..	5.50
Do Accum (3)	146.0	153.2	..	5.50
Intl Inc (2)	105.9	110.6	..	2.45
Do Accum (2)	138.9	145.0	..	2.45
Smaller Inc (5)	893.5	955.9	..	2.53
Do Accum (5)	943.5	1009.3	..	2.53
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	55.1	58.6	+2.7	0.37
CANNON FUND MANAGERS 1 Olympic Way Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	243.9	259.5	+1.1	3.52
Income	277.7	295.4	+1.0	5.08
Far East	131.3	139.1	+0.6	0.74
North American	130.4	138.7	-0.9	1.26
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT 100 Old Broad St, London EC2N 1BQ 01-621 0011				
Capital (3)	303.9	319.9	..	1.97
Income (3)	233.7	246.0	..	5.41
North American (3)	243.4	256.3	..	1.55
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB 01-588 1815				
Income	321.11		..	5.48
Accum	916.63		..	..
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0272 277719				
General Equity	32.1	34.2	-0.2	..
Equity High Income	34.4	36.7	-0.2	..
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	25.5	27.2	-0.2	..
Index Securities	23.1	24.6	..	..
COUNTY BANK UNIT TRUSTS 161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Capital Accum	244.7	260.3	-0.8	2.02
Energy Trust	41.8	44.4c	+0.4	5.38
Extra Income	139.8	148.7	-0.4	5.87
Financial	127.7	135.8●	+0.6	2.66
Gilt Strategy	54.2	55.8	..	1.93
Growth Investment	241.9	257.3●	-0.8	3.01
Income & Growth	35.2	37.4●	-0.3	5.10
Japanese & Pacific	97.5	103.7	-3.4	0.01
Nth Amer Growth	94.2	100.2	+1.6	2.35
Intl Recovery	99.4	105.7●	-0.2	3.05
Smaller Co's	178.4	189.7	+0.6	1.98
Global Inc Tst	51.4	54.6	+0.5	6.48
CATER ALLEN 1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	95.0	101.1c	-0.5	12.01

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CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENG 77 London Wall EC2 1DB 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	368.05		+8.40	4.64
Fixed Int	132.55		-2.90	10.79
Deposit			..	11.70
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	197.2	210.9	-1.1	5.83
Growth Trust	188.7	201.8●	-0.9	3.57
American Trust	118.0	126.2	+0.7	0.79
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3492				
American Fund	64.2	68.7	+0.9	2.47
Capital Fund	74.0	79.2	+0.8	2.15
Growth & Inc Fund	112.0	119.8●	-1.7	4.80
High Dist Fund	89.4	95.6	+0.5	7.06
International Fund	168.8	178.4	+2.4	1.26
Resources Fund	21.0	22.4	-0.1	2.01
Smllr Jap Co's Fnd	26.9	28.7	+0.4	0.10
Tokyo Fund	117.9	126.1	+2.4	0.20
(Ex) Amer (2)	126.8	130.9	..	2.29
(Ex) Japan (3)	80.6	83.2	..	0.29
(Ex) Pacific (4)	207.7	215.5	..	1.88
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	154.0	159.0	..	0.10
Eurofund	23.6	25.2	-0.6	3.97
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	56.5	60.3	-0.2	3.32
Do Accum	56.5	60.3	-0.2	3.32
UK Growth Accum	60.0	64.0	-0.1	1.95
UK High Inc Inc	57.1	60.9	..	5.75
N American Accum	59.5	63.5	+1.0	1.57
Far Eastern Accum	57.4	61.2	+2.0	0.82
European Accum	64.2	68.5	+0.9	1.26
UK Gilt & FI Inc	47.3	50.5	-0.2	9.90
Do Accum	47.3	50.5	-0.2	9.90
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION 35 Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	65.3	69.5s	..	3.71
High Income Trust	62.1	66.1	..	5.90
Gilt & Fixed Int	47.0	50.1●	..	9.54
Tst Of Inv Trusts	57.8	61.5c	..	2.00
Special Sits Trust	66.4	70.7	..	2.68
Nth Amer Trust	50.8	54.1	..	2.05
Far Eastern Trust	56.8	60.5	..	0.92
EQUITY & LAW St George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	127.2	135.3	-0.3	3.82
Do Income	111.9	119.0	-0.4	3.82
Higher Inc Accum	198.8	211.4	-0.8	5.47
Do Income	162.8	173.1	-0.6	5.47
Gilt/Fixed Accum	90.1	94.8	-0.5	3.05
Do Income	78.1	82.2	-0.4	3.05
Nth Amer Tst Accum	128.4	136.5	+2.7	0.34
Far East Tst Accum	106.9	113.7	+3.3	0.80
Euro Tst Accum	127.0	135.1	+2.0	1.22
General Trust	202.0	214.8	-0.6	3.08
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	69.5	74.4	..	0.29
Capital Fund	98.4	103.2	..	0.46
Income Fund	67.4	72.1	..	5.44
Far Eastern Fund	58.5	62.6	..	0.43
Overseas Income	60.5	64.8	..	4.21
Fixed Interest	52.7	56.1	..	9.81
Natural Res Fund	48.4	51.8	..	3.87
European Income	57.0	61.0●	..	4.04
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	90.5	96.5	+2.1	0.94
Amer Equity Income	30.3	32.5●	-0.7	5.28
Amer Special Sits	46.9	49.9	-0.3	0.46
Far East Inc	27.5	29.3	-0.1	3.59
Gilt & Fixed Int	27.8	29.0	..	8.67
Growth & Income	83.3	89.1	..	4.95
Japan Special Sits	28.9	30.8●	+0.1	..
Japan Trust	84.9	90.4	+0.8	..
Managed Intl Tst	114.0	122.0	+1.9	0.35
Max Income Equity	62.9	67.7	..	5.86
Professional Gilt	29.1	31.0	..	2.90
South East Asia Tst	27.3	29.1	+0.2	0.19
Special Sits	118.8	128.5	..	1.33
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8 Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£333.2	340.2	..	1.86
Japan Exempt	£271.2	279.6	..	1.54
Am Property Tst	$11427.0		..	7.75
Property Trust	£2087.0		..	6.10
FRAMLINGTON MANAGEMENT 3 London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	213.0	226.4	+4.9	0.58
Do Accum	217.6	231.4	+5.0	0.58
Amer Turnarnd Inc	202.2	215.0	+5.0	1.22
Do Accum	208.4	221.6	..	1.22
Capital Tst Inc	172.4	183.2	..	3.22
Do Accum	205.6	218.6	..	3.22
Conv & Gilt Inc	78.4	83.4	..	6.23
Do Accum	102.6	109.0	..	6.23
Extra Inc Tst Inc	129.8	138.0●	..	5.24
Do Accum	138.0	146.8●	..	5.24
Income Trust	98.2	104.4	..	4.91
Do Accum	102.0	108.4	..	4.91
Intl Growth Fd Inc	147.6	157.0	+2.1	0.00
Do Accum	164.0	174.4	+2.0	0.00
Japan & Gen Inc	64.0	68.0	+1.9	0.16
Do Accum	64.2	68.2	+1.9	0.16
Monthly Income Fd	64.8	68.9●	..	5.82
Recovery	110.8	117.8●	..	2.15
Do Accum	119.8	127.4●	..	2.15
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	175.6	185.8	..	3.03
Do Accum	288.9	306.7	..	3.03
FP Fixed Int Dist	102.1	109.2	..	6.58
Do Accum	113.7	121.6	..	6.58
Stewardship Dist	144.4	152.8	..	2.41
Do Accum	148.5	157.1	..	2.41

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FUNDS IN COURT Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	301.0	311.4	..	3.07
Gross Inc	127.9	131.2	..	8.84
High Yield	183.0	189.2	..	6.78
GT UNIT MANAGERS 8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	81.4	87.1●	-0.3	2.60
Do Accum	115.9	124.0●	-0.4	2.60
Income Fund	70.4	75.3	-0.2	7.00
Pension Exempt	136.1	143.6●	+1.5	2.40
International	135.1	142.9	+3.3	1.00
US & General	54.5	58.3	+0.9	1.40
Tech & Growth	65.2	69.8	+1.0	1.00
Japan & General	159.1	170.2	+5.4	0.30
Far East & Gen	75.6	80.9	+1.3	1.00
European Fund	203.4	217.6	+3.4	0.70
Germany Fund	60.9	65.2	+0.6	1.00
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	89.1	95.3	+1.9	0.00
Australian Trust	20.9	22.2	-0.1	0.39
British Tst Accum	48.9	52.4	-0.3	2.37
Do Dist	43.0	46.0●	-0.2	2.37
Commodity Share	58.2	61.9	..	1.23
European Trust	42.5	45.5	+1.0	0.72
Extra Income Trust	41.2	44.1	+0.2	5.69
Far Eastern Trust	89.0	95.1	+2.5	0.45
Fixed Interest Fund	24.5	26.1●	..	10.41
Gilt Trust	24.5	25.6	-0.1	10.35
Global Fund Accum	135.5	144.2	+2.1	0.27
Do Dist	129.1	137.4	+2.0	0.27
Gold Share Trust	14.4	15.4	..	1.92
Hedged American	26.5	28.3	+0.5	0.10
High Income Trust	115.6	123.7●	+0.4	5.91
Hong Kong Trust	27.2	29.0	+0.9	0.87
Income Fund	60.4	64.7●	..	4.04
Insurance Agencies	£39.38	42.42	+0.02	2.38
Japan Trust	92.4	98.2	+3.5	0.00
Managed Exempt	230.8	240.5	-1.0	3.53
Oil & Energy Trust	32.9	35.0●	+0.2	1.02
Special Sits Trust	74.5	79.6	+0.5	1.23
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	60.7	65.0	+0.5	1.08
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	68.0	72.7	+1.0	1.90
American Growth	58.4	62.4	+1.2	1.85
American Inc	64.8	69.3	+1.4	6.15
European Growth	163.2	174.5	+2.2	0.28
Gold & Minerals	45.5	48.6	-0.3	1.75
Japan Growth	107.0	114.4	+3.8	0.24
Pacific Income	61.6	65.8	+1.4	4.11
UK Special Opps	71.9	77.3●	+0.1	2.35
GRE UNIT MANAGERS Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 9903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	111.1	115.5	-0.2	9.69
Growth Equity	177.7	189.5	-1.5	2.47
Guardhill	258.8	267.9	-3.8	3.17
N American	131.1	139.5	+1.8	2.14
Pacific	154.2	164.1	+3.5	0.61
Property Share	199.3	212.1●	-3.5	1.94
Smaller Companies	174.0	185.2	-1.2	1.72
European Trust	189.1	201.2	-0.7	0.76
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	46.7	50.1●	+0.2	8.31
N Amer Trust	110.5	117.5	+3.2	0.84
Recovery	161.5	171.9	-0.1	2.90
Gilt Trust	35.0	36.3●	-0.1	10.32
St Vincent Inc	73.2	75.5	-0.1	6.19
St Vincent US Gth	72.0	75.0	+2.2	0.81
Temple Bar Sm Co's	141.7	149.5	..	3.85
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex 0277 217918				
Hambros Smlr Co's	101.1	107.6●	+0.8	2.41
Hambros N Amer	63.9	68.0	+1.1	0.97
Hambros Jap & F E	85.7	91.2	+2.5	0.49
Hambros Scandvn	67.8	72.1	+1.1	1.07
Hambros European	86.6	92.1	+1.5	1.00
Hambros Canadian	43.3	46.1	+0.7	1.74
Hambros Equity Inc	70.6	75.1	-0.3	5.25
Hambros High Inc	50.3	53.5	+0.1	6.28
Hambros Res Assts	50.0	53.2●	-0.1	3.34
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex 0277-217238				
Special Sits Inc	109.7	117.4	+0.3	1.53
Do Accum	153.6	164.4	+0.5	1.53
Recovery Trust	84.1	90.0	..	2.89
Capital Growth Inc	48.9	52.3	-0.1	1.41
Do Accum	55.9	59.8	-0.1	1.41
Income Assets	32.6	35.6	-0.3	4.38
Financial Trust	111.5	119.3	..	2.97
Income & Growth Inc	120.2	129.3	-0.5	3.82
Do Accum	220.3	240.3	-1.0	3.82
High Income Trust	146.4	156.6●	-0.2	5.25
Extra Income	136.2	146.5	+0.1	5.38
Smaller Cos Div	84.4	90.3●	+0.6	5.97
Pref & Gilt	44.9	48.0	-0.4	10.34
Gilt Trust	40.1	42.5●	-0.2	10.12
Fixed Interest Trust	51.5	55.1	..	10.05
Global Healthcare	56.6	62.1	+1.1	0.01
Global Tech	103.2	109.4	+1.8	0.23
Gold	47.2	50.2	..	1.10
International	144.3	155.2	+1.3	0.27
Oil & Nat Res	66.9	71.6●	+0.3	1.48
Worldwide (5)	309.9	326.2	..	3.49
Australian	68.5	73.3	-0.2	0.89
European	194.9	205.2	..	0.79
Euro Smaller Cos	72.1	75.9	+1.2	0.09
Japan Trust	101.8	107.8●	+3.4	0.48
Japan Special Sits	102.6	108.8	+2.8	0.01
Pacific Smaller Cos	38.4	41.9	+1.6	0.80
Singapore & Malay	24.9	26.6●	+0.3	2.82
North American	133.4	144.1●	+4.4	0.62
Amer Smaller Cos	50.5	54.5	+2.1	0.07
Amer Recovery Tst	117.0	126.4	+3.4	1.40
High Income Exempt	103.7	109.2	-0.2	5.65
Smaller Cos Exempt	101.9	107.3	+1.9	1.67
Euro Exempt	95.3	100.3	+1.2	1.28
Japan Exempt (5)	100.3	105.8c	+3.6	1.17
N Amer	82.5	86.8	+1.8	1.24
Global Tech Ex (5)	81.7	86.0	+1.8	0.07
Pacific Exempt (5)	149.7	157.6	+2.6	1.54

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HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45, Beech St, EC2P 2LX 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	484.8	494.5	-3.5	3.46
Capital Trust Units	86.3	91.9●	-1.9	3.01
Dollar Trust Units	171.5	182.5	-0.5	3.23
European Trust	99.4	105.8●	+0.5	0.93
Far East Trust	100.9	107.4●	+1.1	2.21
Financial Trust	310.9	330.8	-3.2	2.78
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	27.8	28.1	-0.1	10.41
Do Growth	37.8	40.1●	-0.2	3.49
High Yield Trust	54.8	58.3	-0.2	5.93
Income Trust	69.8	74.3	-0.3	5.22
International	106.5	113.4●	+0.8	3.09
Japan Tech Tst	32.1	34.2	+0.5	0.43
Natural Resources	31.5	33.6	+0.1	2.26
Security Trust	157.6	167.7	-0.9	3.48
Smaller Cos	66.0	70.3	-0.1	1.86
Special Sits	80.5	85.7	-2.2	2.85
IBI FUND MANAGERS 32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	119.5	127.2	+1.3	1.90
IBI High Income	51.3	54.0	..	9.50
IBI Security Gilt	54.1	57.0	..	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	60.1	63.3	+0.3	3.50
KLEINWORT BENSON 20, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	59.5	63.1●	-0.5	1.37
Do Accum	60.8	64.5●	-0.5	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	17.4	18.5	..	2.86
Do Accum	21.8	23.2●	+0.1	..
High Yield Inc	108.2	114.7	+0.2	6.11
Do Accum	175.0	185.5	+0.4	..
Intl Recovery Inc	81.6	86.5	+0.2	1.75
Do Accum	85.5	90.6	+0.3	..
Japan Growth Inc	61.7	65.4	..	..
Do Accum	61.9	65.6	-0.1	..
Smaller Co's Inc	129.0	139.3	+0.7	2.24
Do Accum	166.9	180.3	+0.8	..
UK Eq Growth Inc	24.3	25.8●	+0.3	1.76
Do Accum	39.6	42.0●	+0.4	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	38.8	41.3	+0.2	0.15
Do Accum	38.8	41.5	+0.3	..
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT Percy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	360.5	367.9●	..	5.72
International & Gen	213.0	217.4●	..	0.81
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	226.6	252.4	-3.6	2.42
Do Accum	365.1	390.5	-1.5	2.42
Do Income	52.5	56.1●	-0.2	5.35
European	59.1	63.2●	+0.3	2.37
Far Eastern	59.4	63.5	+3.4	0.79
Gilt Trust	68.0	72.0	..	8.51
Intl Managed	60.8	63.2	-5.5	1.30
Natural Res	46.5	49.7	+0.4	4.41
N American Trust	68.4	73.2●	+1.5	2.05
UK Special Sits	51.9	55.5	-0.1	2.83
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	157.5	168.4	-0.7	3.41
Do Accum	277.3	296.5	-1.3	3.41
Energy Intl	46.1	49.3c	+0.4	3.32
Do Accum	50.2	53.6	+0.3	3.32
Extra Income	132.9	142.1	-0.3	5.89
Do Accum	234.8	251.1	-0.6	5.89
German Gth Inc	56.7	60.6	+1.0	0.26
Do Accum	56.7	60.6	+1.0	0.26
Income	228.6	244.4	+0.4	4.94
Do Accum	443.5	474.3	-1.2	4.94
Intl Tech	172.1	184.0	+3.3	0.58
Do Accum	179.5	191.9	+3.5	0.58
Japan Growth	51.0	54.5	+1.9	0.02
Do Accum	51.0	54.5	+1.9	0.02
N Amer & Gen	95.2	101.8●	+2.6	0.98
Do Accum	102.5	109.6	+2.9	0.98
Pacific Basin	93.45	99.86●	+2.51	0.43
Do Accum	97.5	104.2●	+2.8	0.43
Smaller Cos & Rec	152.1	162.6	+0.7	2.19
Do Accum	169.4	181.1	+0.8	2.19
Worldwide Growth	161.3	172.7	+3.0	1.30
Do Accum	226.0	241.7	+4.3	1.30
LLOYDS LIFE UNIT TRUST 20, Clifton St, London EC2A 4MX 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	94.3	100.4	+0.1	1.77
Do Accum	131.5	140.1	+0.1	1.77
Gilt Trust	47.2	49.8	+0.1	5.03
Do Accum	49.6	53.0	-0.6	5.03
High Income Dist	75.3	80.2●	-0.1	5.30
Do Accum	86.4	92.0●	-0.1	5.30
US Growth	53.1	56.5	+1.4	1.16
Do Accum	53.4	56.9	+1.4	1.16
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	37.0	38.6	-0.3	3.90
Income Trust	30.8	33.0	-0.2	6.50
International Trust	27.7	29.7	+0.6	1.00
M & G SECURITIES Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	207.7	220.2●	+4.0	1.77
Do Accum	240.7	256.1●	+4.5	1.77
Amer Recovery	233.3	247.3	+3.0	1.84
Do Accum	252.9	268.1	+3.3	1.84
Am Smaller Cos	56.1	59.6●	+1.0	1.05
Do Accum	57.1	60.6●	+0.9	1.05
Aust & Gen Inc	75.9	81.2c	+0.5	0.97
Do Accum	82.5	88.3c	+0.5	0.97
Comm & Gen Inc	156.6	166.5●	-0.3	2.87
Do Accum	203.1	217.3●	-0.4	2.87
Compound Growth	351.5	378.1	+1.4	3.49
Conversion Growth	284.2	301.3c	+1.4	3.48
Do Inc	162.5	172.2c	+1.3	6.83
Dividend Fund Inc	341.1	361.6	+1.7	5.28
Do Accum	985.4	1044.5	+4.6	5.28
European & General	155.8	165.1●	-0.7	0.99
Do Accum	183.5	196.6	-0.9	0.99
Extra Yield Inc	184.4	195.5	+0.5	6.14
Do Accum	385.5	411.8	+0.9	6.14
Far Eastern Inc	110.8	118.6	+2.2	2.25
Do Accum	133.9	143.3	+2.7	2.26
Fund Of Inv Inc	205.9	218.3	+0.3	3.07
Do Acc	320.1	339.3	+0.6	3.07
General Income	510.4	541.0●	+1.5	4.21
Do Accum	£10.68	11.32●	+0.03	4.21

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Gilt & Fixed Int	55.6	58.6c	+0.2	10.23
Do Accum	81.7	85.8	+0.2	10.23
Gold Income	43.0	46.0●	+0.5	2.44
Do Accum	45.1	48.3	+0.4	2.44
High Income Inc	262.4	277.9	+0.9	5.71
Do Accum	695.3	737.0	+2.2	5.71
Intl Growth Inc	650.4	695.9●	+0.1	2.60
Do Accum	£10.37	11.10●	+0.00	2.60
Intl Inc Inc	53.2	56.4	+0.7	5.47
Japan & Gen Inc	535.6	570.4	+16.7	0.16
Do Accum	573.6	610.9	+17.9	0.16
Japan Smaller Acc	71.3	75.9	+2.5	0.06
Midland & Gen Inc	456.7	484.1	+1.8	4.59
Do Accum	£11.20	11.88	+0.04	4.59
Recovery Fund Inc	285.4	302.5●	+0.3	3.32
Do Accum	365.8	387.8	-0.5	3.32
Second Gen Inc	579.2	613.9●	+1.9	3.87
Do Accum	£11.29	11.97●	+0.03	3.87
Smaller Cos Inc	581.5	600.8c	+3.3	2.98
Do Accum	888.9	927.6c	+5.0	2.98
Trustee Fund Inc	381.2	407.9	+1.6	4.58
Do Accum	£10.76	11.52	+0.04	4.58
Chembond Inc (3)	105.4	c	..	12.05
Do Accum (3)	310.7	c	..	12.05
Charifund Inc (2)	317.2	320.4c	..	6.47
Do Accum (2)	805.6	813.7c	..	6.47
Pension Exempt (1)	387.5	405.0	+12.1	4.81
NAACIF Inc (3)	34.0	c	..	9.38
Do Accum (3)	387.1	c	..	9.38
MIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 11, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YR 01-623 4273				
Equity Exempt	345.5	360.8	..	2.84
Do Accum	432.7	451.9	-0.1	2.84
UK Market Features	57.3	61.1	+0.3	2.14
Do Accum	58.4	62.3	+0.2	2.14
Japan Performance	90.0	96.0	+3.0	0.15
Do Accum	90.3	96.3	+2.9	0.15
US Special Features	61.5	65.6	+1.3	0.90
Do Accum	62.0	66.1	+1.2	0.90
Gold & Precious Met	42.6	46.3	+0.5	2.16
Do Accum	43.6	47.4	+0.5	2.16
US Special Inc	54.4	58.0●	+0.7	6.06
Do Accum	57.8	61.6●	+0.7	6.06
European Perf Inc	65.8	70.0	+1.0	1.00
Do Accum	65.8	70.0	+1.0	1.00
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX 0622 674751				
MLA General	28.5	30.2	..	2.48
MLA International	44.4	47.0	..	1.12
MLA Gilt Unit	21.6	22.8●	..	11.40
MLA Income	33.4	35.4●	..	5.65
MLA European	296.2	311.8	..	..
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	63.6	67.6	..	3.28
Gilt & Fixed Int	98.1	101.6	..	8.60
High Income Units	95.6	101.6	..	6.37
High Yield Gilt Unit	51.0	52.8●	..	11.51
Intl Growth Units	98.9	105.2	..	0.42
N American Units	63.9	67.9	..	0.57
Far East Units	69.6	74.0	..	0.50
Smaller Cos Fund	57.0	60.6	..	1.54
MENCAP UNIT TRUST Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7 01-234 5544				
Mencap	115.4	122.7	-0.3	4.69
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33, King William St, EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	89.4	95.0	+1.6	1.70
Do Accum	92.5	98.4	+1.7	1.70
Amer Income	46.9	49.8	+0.8	5.14
Do Accum	48.1	51.1	+0.9	5.14
European Growth	103.2	109.7	+1.6	1.50
Do Accum	105.9	112.6	+1.8	1.50
General	209.0	222.3	+0.2	2.43
Do Accum	336.6	358.0	+0.3	2.43
Gilt	77.9	78.8	-0.4	8.68
Gilt & Fixed Accum	85.3	86.1	-0.4	8.68
Income	68.2	72.5	+0.1	4.58
Do Accum	73.8	78.5	+0.2	4.58
International	200.4	213.1	+5.0	1.40
Do Accum	247.3	263.0	+6.1	1.40
Japan	105.0	111.6●	+4.9	0.01
Do Accum	106.9	113.7●	+5.0	0.01
Recovery	156.6	166.5	-0.1	2.90
Do Accum	165.6	176.1	-0.1	2.90
Exempt Dist	195.2	201.2●	..	2.95
Exempt Accum	295.6	304.7●	..	2.95
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 79842				
Capital Income	69.9	74.5●	-0.2	2.62
Do Accum	94.2	100.3●	-0.4	2.62
Commodity & Gen	114.7	122.4	+1.0	3.25
Do Accum	158.9	169.5	+1.3	3.25
Extra High Inc	52.1	55.6●	..	8.56
Do Accum	58.8	62.7●	-0.1	8.56
Gilt & Fixed Inc	30.6	32.0	-0.2	10.16
Do Accum	78.5	82.0	-0.3	10.16
High Yield	128.7	137.2	-0.4	8.33
Do Accum	213.5	227.7	-0.6	8.33
Income	145.9	155.7●	-0.8	4.16
Do Accum	237.6	253.4●	-1.4	4.16
Japan & Pacific	188.5	199.5	+5.7	0.22
Do Accum	195.3	208.3	+6.0	0.22
N American Inc	96.8	103.2	+3.0	1.16
Do Accum	115.5	123.1	+4.0	1.16
Overseas Growth	94.7	101.0	+2.0	1.14
Do Accum	113.5	121.1	+2.4	1.14
Smaller Cos Inc	88.2	94.4●	+0.9	2.78
Do Accum	93.3	99.5●	+0.8	2.78
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH 041 221 9252				
American	102.3	109.2●	+0.8	4.14
European	174.8	186.6	+3.5	1.33
Smaller Cos	169.4	180.8	..	1.56
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS 48 Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	174.2	185.4	-0.6	3.00
Do Accum	279.5	298.3	-1.0	3.00
NPI Overseas	511.2	543.9	+10.5	1.20
Do Accum	621.6	661.3	+12.9	1.20
Far East Acc	57.6	61.3●	+1.5	0.40
Do Dist	57.6	61.3●	+1.5	0.40
American Acc	53.3	56.6	+1.1	1.40
Do Dist	53.0	56.4	+1.1	1.40

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NORWICH UNION PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	£10.27	10.82	-0.06	4.11
Intl Trust	116.9	123.1	+3.0	1.51
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	121.7	130.2●	+1.7	1.00
Income & Growth	47.4	50.4	..	2.90
Special Sits	68.6	73.4	+0.5	2.10
American Growth	31.1	33.1	+0.3	3.10
Japan Growth	39.1	41.6	+1.5	
European Growth	51.6	55.2●	+0.4	2.90
UK Growth	45.2	48.4	+0.1	1.30
Pacific Growth	33.4	35.8	+1.2	0.70
High Income	29.3	31.4	+0.1	8.10
Practical Income	45.1	48.0	+0.2	2.70
Do Accum	81.1	86.3	+0.4	2.70
PEARL TRUST 252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	75.3	80.1	+0.4	2.63
Do Accum	111.3	118.4	+0.6	2.63
Income Fund	100.8	107.3	-0.3	4.64
Intl Equity Inc	107.4	114.3	+1.8	1.75
Do Accum	107.4	114.3	+1.8	1.75
Unit Trust Inc	106.8	113.6	-0.1	3.67
Do Accum	182.8	194.5	-0.2	3.67
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Intl Growth	224.7	241.1	..	1.35
Income	159.9	171.2	..	5.29
Worldwide Rec	127.6	137.0●	..	2.03
Amer Growth	63.4	68.1●	..	1.04
Intl Emerg Co's	68.2	73.2	..	0.70
Far East Grwth	54.9	58.9	..	1.13
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS 222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	93.0	100.0	+0.9	1.70
High Income	149.7	158.5	-0.3	4.56
Conv & Gilt	83.6	88.7●	-0.2	7.10
Far Eastern	123.2	132.5	+3.8	0.30
North American	126.7	136.2	+1.3	2.37
Special Sits	165.4	175.4	-0.3	0.99
Technology	107.9	116.0	+1.4	0.52
Extra Income	70.4	74.7	-0.1	5.23
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 51-89, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	351.0	373.4	-1.5	3.51
European	69.4	73.8	+1.2	0.57
Holborn Comms	49.5	52.6	+0.8	0.93
Holborn High Inc	57.4	61.0●	-0.2	7.24
Holborn Intl	80.8	85.9●	+1.8	0.79
Japanese	65.3	69.4	+2.1	0.05
N American	59.6	63.4	+1.4	1.87
Holborn Spec Sits	53.1	56.4	..	2.68
Holborn UK Growth	70.5	74.9c	-0.3	3.26
Holborn Gilt Trust	158.7	165.0	+0.2	8.87
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY 31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	383.6	368.9	..	3.40
Quadrant Income	198.0	210.7●	..	6.34
Quadrant Intl Fd	345.9	364.2	+1.3	1.22
Quadrant Recovery	222.9	237.2	..	3.14
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 68-73, Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX (Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351				
Amer Inc & Growth	64.1	68.5	+0.8	7.60
Capital Units	91.3	97.8	+1.6	2.54
Commodity	48.6	51.9	+0.1	1.54
Energy Inds	47.7	51.0	+0.5	3.31
European Growth	83.4	89.1	+0.8	0.74
Exempt Inc Bnd	67.8	71.4	..	5.12
Do Intl (43)	53.8	56.7	..	3.13
Exploration	39.9	42.6●	-0.3	0.86
Financial Secs	79.9	85.4	+1.0	2.42
Gilt & FI Inc	50.1	52.8	-0.5	11.75
High Return Units	150.9	161.3●	-0.4	5.63
High Yield Units	141.0	150.7	-0.5	5.16
Income Units	84.6	90.4●	+0.1	6.42
Investment Trust	75.0	80.2	+0.5	2.82
International	105.3	112.0	+2.0	3.64
Japan Growth	60.2	64.3	+1.9	..
Japan Smaller Cos	95.3	101.9	+3.5	..
Masterfund	24.3	25.9	+0.2	3.19
New Technology	93.5	100.0●	+1.6	..
SE Asia Growth	91.8	98.1	+1.6	1.88
Scotbits	107.7	115.1●	+0.8	3.05
Scotshares	142.8	152.7	+0.1	4.59
Scotyields	133.6	142.8	-0.5	4.74
Select International	65.3	69.8	+1.0	1.45
Smaller Co's Inc	126.8	135.6	+0.5	5.18
Special Situations	78.7	84.1	-0.6	2.34
UK Equity	153.6	164.2●	-0.4	2.87
US Growth	69.2	74.0	+1.5	0.56
Universal Growth	73.0	78.0	+1.3	2.03
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Inc	117.6	125.7	+1.6	1.81
Do Accum	119.9	128.2	+1.9	1.81
Australian Inc	63.5	68.2●	..	1.80
Do Accum	68.2	73.3●	..	1.80
European Inc	89.2	95.3	-0.6	1.27
Do Accum	91.4	97.7	-0.8	1.27
Gilt & Fixed Inc	49.8	52.5●	-0.2	10.28
Do Accum	74.3	78.3●	-0.4	10.28
Gold Fund Inc	34.7	37.1	..	3.50
Do Accum	38.2	39.7	..	3.50
Income	145.3	155.3	+1.1	5.37
Do Accum	318.6	340.9	+2.3	5.37
Intl Income	93.5	98.9	+0.3	0.80
Do Accum	127.7	136.5	+0.4	0.80
Jap Smllr Co's Ac	93.3	99.7●	..	0.10
Singapore & Malay	46.0	49.1	..	1.43
Do Accum	46.9	50.1	..	1.43
Smaller Co's Inc	111.5	119.2	+1.7	1.85
Do Accum	116.4	124.4	+1.8	1.85
Special Sits Inc	89.7	95.9	+0.3	1.45
Do Accum	92.7	99.1	-0.3	1.45
Tokyo Fund Inc	146.6	156.7	..	0.28
Do Accum	147.7	157.9	..	0.26
US Smaller Co's Ac	52.0	55.8	..	0.25
UK Equity Inc	88.6	94.9	+0.9	3.40
Do Accum	135.8	145.2	+1.2	3.40
Recovery	678.0	725.1●	..	2.76
Special Exempt	101.2	108.2●	..	1.85
Pensions & Charity	464.0	486.2●	..	3.97

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	127.7	135.8	..	3.57
Do Accum	188.1	200.1	..	3.57
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	338.7	360.3	-0.7	2.69
N Am Trust Acc	53.9	57.3	+1.3	1.81
Far East Trust Acc	57.9	61.6	+1.3	0.86
TSB UNIT TRUSTS PO Box 3, Keens Hse, Andover Hants, SP10 1PG 0264 62188 Dealings 0264 6432				
American Inc	106.0	112.8	+2.3	1.18
Do Accum	110.4	117.5	+2.4	1.18
Extra Income Inc	93.8	99.8	-0.2	5.82
Do Accum	108.0	114.9	-0.2	5.82
General Unit Inc	137.4	146.2●	-0.4	3.00
Do Accum	223.4	237.7●	-0.7	3.00
Gilt & Fixed Inc	44.9	46.8●	-0.2	9.47
Do Accum	57.5	59.9●	-0.2	9.47
Income	184.1	195.9	-0.9	4.75
Accum	282.5	300.6	-2.0	4.75
Pacific Inc	120.6	128.3	+3.7	0.70
Do Accum	123.6	131.5	+3.8	0.70
Intl Inc	263.1	279.9	+5.9	1.78
Do Accum	322.8	343.5	+7.1	1.78
Selected Opps Inc	51.6	54.9	-0.1	1.97
Do Accum	56.2	59.8	+0.2	1.97
Natural Res	48.1	49.1	+0.1	2.18
Do Accum	47.0	50.1	+0.1	2.18
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks 0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	72.4	77.2	+1.7	0.45
Australian	25.8	27.6●	-0.2	0.10
Commodity	78.2	84.1	+0.5	2.09
Energy	36.6	39.0	+0.1	1.39
Equity	109.5	117.2	-0.1	3.12
European Spec Sits	80.5	85.4	+1.9	0.29
Extra Income	102.4	109.5	..	6.31
Financial	228.2	243.8	..	2.06
Gilt Income	96.3	100.9	-0.6	8.85
Gold Income	63.5	67.9	-0.2	1.83
Do Accum	115.7	123.6	-0.4	1.83
Income	70.6	75.4	-0.2	5.11
Japan	61.4	65.5	+2.0	0.10
Malay & Singapore	18.6	19.9	+0.5	1.41
Pacific Inc	71.4	78.3	+3.5	0.09
Do Reinvest	87.2	93.0	+4.0	0.09
Pref Share Fd	16.1	17.2	..	10.31
UK Capital	54.8	58.5s	-0.9	2.27
Special Sits	78.6	84.2●	+0.5	0.96
Technology	44.3	47.3●	+0.9	0.10
World Income	50.3	53.6	+1.0	7.06
Worldwide Capital	121.5	129.6	+0.8	1.94
Equity Ex (3)	94.4	98.7	..	2.24
Do Accum (3)	120.8	128.9	..	2.24
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01 928-3356				
Smaller Co's	67.1	71.3	+0.7	0.10
TOUCHE REMNANT Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	33.0	35.2	+0.4	0.83
General Growth	44.5	47.9	-0.1	2.93
Global Tech	35.9	38.5	+0.4	0.10
Income Growth	51.3	54.6	-0.4	5.19
Income Monthly	41.7	44.7●	..	7.15
Japan Growth	28.6	30.5	+1.0	0.18
O'seas Growth	38.3	41.1	+1.0	1.40
Smaller Cos	50.1	53.4	+0.1	1.90
Special Opps	53.8	57.3●	+0.3	1.76
TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES 91-99, New London Rd, Chelmsford 0245 51651				
Colemco Inc (5)	389.7	415.5	..	4.15
Do Accum (5)	650.4	678.3	..	4.15
Fielding Fund (4)	205.2	219.7	..	3.55
Do Accum (4)	224.6	240.5	..	3.55
Fldng Am & Gen (4)	213.6	224.9	..	1.32
Do Accum (4)	240.2	252.8	..	1.32
Fielding Inc Fund (4)	148.3	156.2	..	5.50
S & W Amer (9)	143.5	150.9	..	1.54
S & W Smlr Secs	106.1	111.7	..	0.89
TYNDALL MANAGERS 18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Australian	65.9	70.5	-0.5	1.30
Do Acc	68.1	72.9	-0.6	1.30
Capital	262.0	280.1●	-1.1	3.78
Do Accum	496.3	528.5●	-1.8	3.78
Exempt	243.7	259.6●	-2.7	6.79
Do Accum	547.6	583.2●	-0.2	6.79
Far Eastern	137.3	146.9	+3.0	0.81
Do Accum	147.4	157.7	+3.2	0.81
Fin & Prop	44.2	47.1●	-0.2	4.07
Do Accum	68.6	73.1●	-0.3	4.07
Gilt Capital	113.7	118.3	-0.2	7.17
Do Accum	127.7	132.9	-0.3	7.17
Gilt Income	101.4	106.2	-0.3	10.34
Do Accum	159.0	169.0	-0.4	10.34
High Yield	45.9	48.9	..	7.02
Do Accum	98.0	104.4	..	7.02
Income	195.2	207.0●	-0.7	6.17
Do Accum	591.6	627.4●	-1.9	6.17
Intl Earnings	141.6	150.8	-0.2	2.94
Do Accum	204.8	217.9	-0.1	2.94
Intl Growth	70.5	75.1	+1.2	0.96
Do Accum	73.0	77.8	+1.4	0.96
Japan Growth Acc	78.5	84.0	+2.9	0.20
Natural Resources	176.4	187.9	-1.6	1.90
Do Accum	251.6	267.9	-2.2	1.90
N Amer Growth	114.6	122.8●	+2.9	0.97
Do Acc	132.7	142.0●	+3.5	0.97
Pref	107.6	114.6	..	11.32
Do Accum	257.7	285.1	..	11.32
Smaller Co's Div Inc	47.0	50.1●	+0.3	6.64
Do Accum	52.8	56.3●	+0.3	6.64
Smaller Cos	161.7	172.3c	..	2.67
Do Accum	213.6	227.5c	+0.1	2.67
Special Sits	87.6	93.3	-0.5	2.52
Do Accum	90.9	96.9	-0.5	2.52
European Growth	84.8	90.4	+1.1	1.83
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH 0722 336242				
UK Equity	107.7	114.2	-0.4	..
Pacific Basin	108.9	115.4	+3.1	..
N Amer	113.1	119.9	+2.5	..

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8	Baker Perkins	
9	Bestwood	
10	Cowan De Groot	
	INDUSTRIALS L-R	
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13	MS Int	
14	MY Dart	
15	ML Hdgs	
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17	Porter Chadburn	
18	Rexmore	
19	Low & Bonar	
20	Laird	
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22	Jones Stroud	
23	MK Elect	
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26	UEI	
27	Logica	
28	Domino	
29	GEC	
30	BICC	
	DRAPERY & STORES	
31	Dunhill	
32	Dewhirst (IJ)	
33	Executex Clothes	
34	Freemans	
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36	Bremner	
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38	Cantors 'A'	
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BREWERIES

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
306	153	Allied-Lyons	263	●-5	11.6	4.4	15.5
692	471	Bass	650	●-5	21.0	3.2	13.8
81	36	Belhaven	43	-1	1.1	2.6	23.8
100	86	Boddingtons	89	-1	4.2	4.7	12.9
573	259	Brown (Matthew)	380	●	20.0	5.3	14.0
169	119	Burner (H P)	154	●	7.0	4.5	12.5
530	407	Burtonwood Brew	415	●	14.3	3.4	9.7
450	225	Clark (Matthew)	450		10.7	2.4	18.2
790	417	Devenish (J A)	700	-25	18.6	2.7	20.5
590	270	Distillers	560	-5	22.9	4.1	15.5
198	159	Greenall Whitley	187	●-1	7.0	3.7	13.4
254	145	Greene King	188	●-2	7.2	3.8	13.3
325	225	Guinness	293	●-2	10.3	3.5	10.5
429	334	Hardys & Hansons	429	●+2	24.1	5.6	11.1
85	59	Highland Dist	73	+1	2.8	3.8	14.1
177	124	Invergordon Distl	161	..	6.1	3.8	11.7
190	120	Irish Dist	185		6.0	3.2	
93	87	Marston Thompson	78	●+1	2.9	3.7	13.5
239	179	Morland	222	●	9.1	4.1	12.3
338	108	SA Breweries	216	-9			
194	126	Scot & New	177	●-2	10.0b	5.6	12.1
40	27	Seagram	£34	-1	41.1	1.2	
410	258	Vaux	363	●-3	15.8	4.4	14.0
280	184	Whitbread A	241	-2	10.2	4.2	12.3
278	185	Do B	245	-3	10.2	4.2	12.5
296	162	Whitbread Inv	200	-3	9.9	5.0	29.5
435	270	Wolverhampton & D	316	-1	12.2	2.9	15.2
245	185	Young A	205	●	9.4	4.6	16.4

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1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
203	90	Allied Irish	195	-2	9.0	4.6	
86	46	Ansbacher (Henry)	57	-1	n		40.4
321	194½	Aus New Z	233	●+2	15.0	6.4	
12	8½	Bankamerica	£9	●			
375	225	Bank Of Ireland	355	●+7	17.0	4.7	
15½	8½	Bank Leumi (Israel)	£8½				
290	215	Bank Leumi UK	330		16.0	7.0	10.7
444	351	Bank Of Scotland	372		18.0h	4.8	9.0
479	332	Barclays	444	-15	24.0	5.4	8.3
449	380	Brown Shipley	415		13.2	3.2	17.9
548	423	Cater Allen	438	.	41.3	9.4	10.6
41	23	Cattles	37		2.3	6.2	12.6
54½	34½	Chase Manhattan	£52	●+1½	354	6.9	..
42½	27	Citicorp	£35½	+½	206	5.8	
72	32	Clive	41	●-2	1.3	3.2	7.4
58	27	Com Bank Wales	56		3.0	5.4	12.7
107	42½	Commerzbank	£93	+½	6.0	0.1	
264	104½	Deutsche Bank	£234	+1½	200	5.1	
179	74½	First Nat Finance	153	●	4.0	2.6	9.3
372	249	Gerrard Nat	264	-3	18.9	7.2	15.4
80	65	Guinness Peat	69	●.	2.7	3.9	11.0
225	131	Hambros	218		9.6	4.4	18.2
31	12	Do (50p)	£29	●-1	96.7	3.3	24.3
371	273	Hill Samuel	368	-2	17.0	4.8	9.7
99	61	Hk Shanghai	72	●+½	h		
378	233	Joseph (Leopold)	373	-5	17.4	4.7	19.4
188	138	King & Shaxson	138	●-2	11.8	8.8	16.6
610	375	Kleinwort Benson	605	-5	21.4n	3.5	11.2
514	346	Lloyds	444	-13	26.9	6.1	6.8
42	22	Manson	34		2.1	6.2	13.0
798	398	Mercury Secs	728	-5	22.9	3.1	11.3
462	322	Midland	424	-10	36.4	8.6	7.0
270	173	Nat Aust Bk	246	●+3			
724	567	Nat West	684	-10	37.6	5.5	5.8
100	68	Ottoman	£98	-2	550	5.6	21.1
323	193	Provident	321	-2	15.7	4.9	13.5
80	56	Rea Bros	73	●	1.8	2.5	21.7
116	92	Rothschild (J) Hld	110		6.5	5.9	13.2
21	15	Royl Bnk Of Can	£15½	●-½			
294	218	Royl Bnk Of Scot	272	-6	13.7	5.0	7.9
12	728	Schroders	£12½	-½	26.4	2.2	17.1
70	33	Smith St Aubyn	34	-1	1.0	2.9	3.1
542	419	Stand Chart	422	-7	42.1	10.0	6.6
746	603	Union	633	..	52.9	8.4	63.7
143	56	Wagon	136	-1	5.0	3.7	18.6
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240	172	Aberdeen Constr	230	.	10.5	4.6	14.4
280	213	Amec	231	-3	15.7	6.8	9.1
60	29	Amcliffe	54		0.1n	0.2	8.3
140	82	Atwoods	139	-1	5.7	4.1	12.7
383	208	BPB Industries	353	-7	11.8	3.3	14.1
333	304	Baggeridge Brick	287	●..	9.8	3.4	10.4
136	54	Barratt Devs	120	-2	10.9	9.1	
34	19	Bawey(Ben) Constr	23	.	0.4	1.7	4.6
151	113	Bellway	151	●.	10.0	6.6	17.0
70	60	Benford Concrete	70		5.4	7.7	36.8
87	51	Bett Bros	71	●.	4.4	6.2	20.0
925	545	Blockleys	875		32.9	3.8	12.5
908	466	Blue Circle	533	-8	28.6	5.4	7.3
253	194	Breedon&Cloud Hill	253		13.6	5.4	30.5
85	59	Brickhouse Dudley	85		4.9	5.8	14.4
80	55	Br Dredging	70		3.8	5.1	15.6
22	11	Brown & Jackson	19				13.1
83	55	Brownlee	65		4.4	6.8	7.3
93	54	Bryant	92	-1	4.7	5.1	11.8
190	20	Burnett & Hallam			5.7f		
155	145	Cakebread Robey	150	●	4.4	2.9	25.0
92	50	Cement-Roadstone	91½	●	3.0	3.3	
70	42	Conder Grp	62		2.1	3.4	25.6
526	336	Costain	472	-6	22.1	4.7	10.0
325	194	Countryside	302	-2	8.2	2.7	8.1
152	84	Crouch (Derek)	152		7.9	5.2	33.3
116	60	Dew (George)	88	..	8.1	9.2	6.9
95	45	Douglas (RM)	92		2.5h	2.7	18.3
71	58	Erith	65	●	4.4	6.8	10.4
113	81	Feb	81		4.2	5.2	11.0
92	54	Do A	58		4.2	7.2	7.9
96	53	Finlan Gp	68		5.4	7.9	
295	117	French Kier	292	-3	8.8	3.0	12.3
89	64	Galliford	82		6.3	7.7	13.3
116	103	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	106	-4	2.3	2.2	35.9
270	204	Gleeson (MJ)	268		7.7	2.9	9.3
119	89	HAT	95	●-1	5.4	5.7	9.8
65	24	Helical Bar	65		n		13.2
49	33	Hewden-Stuart	49	●	2.3	4.7	9.9
171	114	Heywood Williams	167	+1	8.9	5.3	9.8
448	281	Higgs & Hill	448	●.	18.3	4.1	12.1
180	129	Ibstock Johnsen	148		6.1	4.1	11.3
328	260	Jarvis (J) & Sons	273		25.0	9.2	9.4
348	199	Laing (J)	317		8.9	2.8	10.1
348	196	Do A	307		8.9	2.9	9.8
99	67	Lawrence (Walter)	90	+1	5.2h	5.8	6.8
79	58	Lilley (FJC)	78	●-1	5.3	6.8	11.8
320	195	Lovell (YJ)	308	●	10.0	3.2	11.3
160	104	Magnet & South	136	●-2	6.7	4.9	14.1
202	161	Manders	179	●-2	10.9	6.1	11.3
188	110	Marshalls (Halifax)	153	-2	7.1	4.4	12.1
107	74	May & Hassell	103		5.4n	5.2	
338	232	McAlpine (Alfred)	320	-1	16.1	5.0	10.8
193	112	Meyer Int	187	●-3	7.7	4.1	10.3
28	14	Miller (Stanley)	25		0.7	2.8	
134	105	Monk (A)	112	●-1	9.3	8.3	15.1
348	198	Mowlem (John)	334	-4	19.6	5.9	22.5
855	600	Newarthill	813	+10	15.7	1.9	14.9
201	143	Nottingham Brick	193	●	9.3	4.8	14.4
127	96	Persimmon	127		6.8	5.4	9.3
150	86	Phoenix Timber	96	+4	4.3	4.5	3.6
350	180	Pochins	350	●	18.4	5.3	7.8
508	342	RMC	490	-4	18.9	3.9	11.0
378	255	Redland	378	+5	15.5	4.1	13.9
177	93	Roberts Adlard	150	●	8.6	5.7	12.6
225	145	Ruberoid	223		11.1	5.0	11.8
161	118	Rugby Cement	153½	●-5½	8.9h	5.8	11.3
273	132	SGB	238	●-2	10.7	4.5	9.0
97	82	Sharpe & Fisher	95		3.2	3.4	14.9
79	53	Smart (J)	72		6.2	8.6	15.3
468	227	Tarmac	378	-8	11.7	3.1	15.7
558	348	Taylor Woodrow	488	-3	21.4	4.4	13.2
182	108	Tilbury Group	158	-4	7.0	4.5	18.4
340	225	Travis & Arnold	338		11.3n	3.3	12.1
107	87	Trent	99	-1	1.5	1.5	11.9
343	140	Turriff	180		10.0	6.3	28.5
241	135	Vibroplant	241		13.4	5.6	10.8
274	129	Ward	268	-5	9.8	3.6	18.8
65	58	Warrington (T)	66	+2	5.7n	8.6	7.8
230	173	Watts Blake	178	●.	8.0	3.4	14.2
79	62	Western Bros	72	..	1.4e	1.9	14.4
30	28	Wiggins					
324	172	Wilson (Connolly)	320		4.5	1.4	15.7
147	97	Wimpey (George)	140	●-4	4.6	3.3	13.3

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
43	23	AKZO N/V Bearer	£43½	+2½	400	9.1	
256	121	Allied Colloids	170	●-3	3.3	1.9	17.7
383	273	Amersham	318	●	8.9	2.8	15.5
280	180	Anchor Chemical	192	●+2	8.1	3.2	7.1
177	78	BTP	110	+1			
87	51½	Bayer DM50	£85	r+2¼	700	8.2	
120	100	Blagden	110		10.3	9.4	8.3
134	104	Brent Chems	116	●+1	5.1	4.4	15.3
75	9½	Br Benzol	69½	-1½			77.2
107	79	Canning (W)	84		5.1	6.1	12.4
275	224	Coalite	253	●-2	9.5	3.8	13.2
188	131	Coates Bros	147	●	6.6	4.5	6.9
168	112	Do A	115	●	6.6	5.7	8.9
26	14	Cory (Horace)	16	+½	0.7	4.4	5.4
151	116	Croda	130	+1	10.0	7.7	13.5
108	82	Do Dfd	101				10.5
227	158	Ellis & Everard	180	●	8.8	4.9	15.8
258	175	Foseco-Minsep	247	●-5	11.9	4.8	9.7
132	66	Halstead (James)	117	-4	5.7	4.9	9.1
488	318	Hickson	388	-5	21.4	5.5	8.8
85½	51	Hoechst DM50	£83	+1½			
884	630	Imp Chem Ind	827	+11	44.3	5.4	8.2
368	278	Laporte	338	-2	10.5	3.1	17.1
121	84	Leigh	105	●.	4.7	4.5	18.6
188	141	Plysu	180	●.	3.3	1.8	18.8
82	53	Reabrook Hldgs	66	●-1	3.0	4.5	13.5
182	126	Rentokil	183	-6	3.2	2.0	22.2
254	94	SNIA BPD	254	+13			
328	162	Wolstenholme Rink	203	+2	11.1	5.5	9.4
87	56	Yorkshire Chem	74	-2	2.5n	3.4	12.3

CINEMAS AND TV

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
190	120	Anglia TV A	188	-2	12.9	6.9	13.2
64	26	Grampian	29	..	2.4	8.3	6.6
185	118	HTV N/V	183		11.0	6.0	8.3
301	218	LWT Hldgs	293	●	20.6	7.0	11.8
210	128	Scot TV A	210	●	12.7	6.0	6.5
183	110	TVS N/V	181	-2	11.4	6.3	8.7
33	23	TSW	33	●	2.4	7.3	9.1

DRAPERY AND STORES

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
79	50	Aquascutum A	74	●	3.3	4.5	27.9
100	51½	Beattie (James) 'A'	85	+5	3.0	3.5	13.8
161	60	Bentalls	153	-3	3.1	2.0	31.1
52	9	Blacks Leis	15	-1	n		
66	48	Bremner	52	-1	1.4	2.7	38.6
436	235	Br Home Stores	298	-7	11.0	3.7	16.3
565	220	Brown (N)	545	●	13.9	2.6	27.8
625	402	Burtons	533	●-18	12.6	2.4	18.4
114	63	Cantors A	103	+1	3.2	3.1	26.5
54	36	Casket (S)	45	●	3.1	6.9	8.7
350	224	Church	315	+5	20.7	6.6	10.6
180	87	Combined English	160	-2	7.7	4.8	22.3
138	95	Courts (Furn) A	117		6.7	5.7	9.7
90	67	Dewhirst (IJ)	86	-1	1.4	1.6	20.3
974	524	Dixons Grp	362	●-12	9.1	0.9	28.9
396	271	Dunhill	355	●-2	6.1	1.7	17.9
81	56	Ellis & Goldstein	75	●	3.3	4.4	10.2
650	380	Elys (Wimbledon)	620	●	12.9	2.1	31.1
172	92	Empire Stores	144	-2	3.6	2.5	24.6
228	130	Etam	206	-2	4.6	2.2	22.2
58	27	Executex Clothes	56	-2	n		10.4
139	72	Fine Art Dev	108	●	4.7	4.4	19.3
69	25	Ford (Martin)	54		0.1	0.2	
186	143	Forminster	185	●	8.6	4.6	9.5
392	162	Freemans	348	-2	8.3	2.4	20.4
110	79	Geller (AJ)	100		7.6	7.6	9.8
154	60	Gent SR	64		2.9	4.5	38.6
105	43	Goldberg (A)	102	●-3	2.1	2.1	76.1
337	153	Goldsmiths Gp	184	-2	10.7	5.8	13.0
394	153	Grattan	348	+2	5.7	1.6	22.3
10	584	GUS	910	-10	28.8	2.9	14.9
904	674	Do A	742	-10	26.8	3.6	12.1
370	306	Habitat Mothercare	408	●-10	15.5	3.8	20.0
288	168	Harris Queensway	204	●-10	5.9	2.9	18.9
29	22	Helene Of London	25	●	2.3	9.0	8.3
35	21	Hollas	34	●-2	3.0	8.8	14.2
368	240	Home Charm	261	-4	4.2	1.8	19.0
128	93	House Of Lerose	107	-1	11.4	10.7	10.0
90	71	Jones (Ernest)	76		5.8	7.6	16.4
38	21	Ladies Pride	27		2.1	7.8	20.0
134	93	LCP	117	●-1	6.0	5.1	20.0
220	100	Lee Cooper	215	-3	5.3	2.5	10.1
845	370	Liberty	810		10.0	1.2	37.8
190	142	Lincroft Kilgour	178		10.0	5.6	9.2
193	111	Marks & Spencer	171	●-1	5.1	3.0	24.6
334	218	Menzies (John)	301	-2	5.1	1.7	17.6
195	115	Milletts Leisure	185	●	2.9	1.6	49.6
615	308	Moss Bros	570		7.4	1.3	40.9
144	94	NSS Newsagents	140	●-2	5.1	3.6	14.8
244	154	Next	210	-2			
385	313	Oliver (G)	338		11.7	3.5	25.5
640	331	Our Price	540	-5	7.1	1.3	34.1
64	33	Pentos	64		0.5	0.8	24.2
77	56	Peters Stores	70		1.4	2.0	33.5
118	99	Preedy (Alfred)	108	●-4	5.5	5.1	19.3
131	46	Ratners (Jewellers)	122	●-1	3.7	3.0	37.8
38	23	Raybeck	33		1.1	3.3	
235	155	Reed (Austin)	225	●	7.1	3.2	25.7
161	96	Do A	140		7.1	5.1	16.0
38	16	S & U Stores	32				28.4
185	118	Samuel (H)	163	●	6.0	3.7	41.8
92	72	Do A	76	●-1	6.0	7.9	19.5
121	78	Sears	114	●-1	4.4	3.8	15.0
335	200	Simpson (S) A	310	●	8.2	2.6	12.0
326	160	Smith (WH) A	274	-6	7.6	2.8	18.8
64	31	Do B	55	-1	1.5	2.7	18.8
79	42	Stanley (AG)	74	-1	3.8	4.9	20.7
109	58	Stenberg	103	●-2	3.5	3.4	14.9
85	26	Sumrie Clothes	36	-1			
501	373	Superdrug Stores	413	-5	6.4	1.5	20.2
57	40	Tern-Consulate	48		2.9n	6.0	10.6
61	27	Time Products	58	●	2.5	4.3	12.2
196	180	Underwoods	182				
462	267	Vantona Viyella	440		16.4	3.7	10.9
231	140	WW Group	196	-8	11.3	5.8	7.3
328	203	Ward White	274	-4	8.5	3.1	15.9
148	98	Wigfalls	103		3.6n	3.5	
610	277	Woolworth	453	-17	12.9	2.8	19.4

ELECTRICALS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
537	176	AB Elect	243	●	11.4	4.7	18.1
352	83	Amstrad	248	-8	1.3	0.5	18.1
285	49	Apricot Computers	77		2.1	2.7	6.1
90	26	Arlen	85	-5			
303	185	Atlantic Comp	340		2.4	1.0	13.1
60	25	Audio Fidelity	53				16.9
200	138	Auto Sec	156	-4	1.9	1.2	12.1
301	185	BICC	293	+5	15.1	5.2	12.1
165	43	BSR	80		2.4h	3.0	6.1
364	308	Bowthorpe	359	●-1	8.2	2.3	18.1
208	104	Br Telecom 90p P	188	●	5.9	5.3	12.4
97	70	Brown Boveri Kent	76	●	3.6	4.7	10.4
31	10	Bulgin (AF) A	13½		1.9	14.1	31.4
309	85	CASE	104	-3	1.3	1.8	8.7
653	440	Cable & Wireless	587	-8	13.6	2.3	19.5
378	195	Cambridge Elec	258		10.2	4.0	11.6
203	138	CAP Gp	198	●-2	2.1h	1.1	
53	26	Chloride	48				11.3
228	128	Do 7½% CPF	203	+7			
265	193	Comcap	213	+3	1.7	0.8	16.6
291	200	Cray Elect	286	r-4	4.6	1.6	32.4
240	95	Crystalate	171	●+3	6.1	3.6	10.4
85	61	Dale Elect	67	+1	6.4	9.6	23.2
180	97	Dataserv	165		1.0	0.6	
37	14	Dewhurst A	36½	●-½	1.5	4.1	8.3
310	245	Domino	310	+5	2.5	0.8	25.5
46	31	Dowding & Mills	43		2.0	4.7	13.7
208	134	Dubilier	182	●+2	4.0	2.2	13.3
395	255	Electrocomponents	393	●+2	7.9	2.0	24.4
61	36	Electronic Mach	58		1.0	1.7	48.3
55	39	Electronic Rentals	46	●	4.6	10.0	18.1
263	156	Emess Lighting	237		7.9	3.3	24.9
368	258	Eurotherm	320	●-3	6.8	2.1	18.2
221	138	Farnell Elect	200		2.9	1.5	23.6
184	104	Ferranti	126	●.	2.3	1.8	17.4
184	89	First Castle Elec	175		3.5h	2.0	15.2
48	20	Forward Tech	28	-1	n		14.6
220	150	GEC	172	●+2	5.8	3.4	11.7
184	94	Grosvenor	85		8.2	8.6	7.9
129	78	Highland Elect	87	●-1	3.6	3.7	12.4
148	130	IBL	143		1.7	1.2	17.9
353	243	Int Signal & Control	311	-2	1.0	0.3	
200	130	Jones Stroud	190	+7	10.7	5.6	9.0
215	65	Kode	100	●	7.1	7.1	8.6
341	218	Lec Refrigeration	243		17.9	7.4	8.7
388½	98	Logica	138	+2	1.4	1.0	15.0
326	220	MK Elect	290	+2	14.6	5.0	9.5
385	235	Memec	380		3.6	0.9	35.5
235	34	Micro BS	82	-2	2.5	3.0	12.9
970	100	Micro Focus	170	-5	n		
98	33	Multitone Elec	35	.	4.0n	11.4	26.3
94	59	Murray Elect	60		0.1	0.2	
45	16	Newman	32		1.1	3.4	9.3
283	170	Newmark (Louis)	280	●	19.3	7.4	11.8
90	76½	NEI	86½	●.	7.5	8.7	14.5
172	22	Oceonics	48	-1	1.1	2.3	9.7
408	238	Oxford Instruments	390	+2	2.0	0.5	21.0
56	43	Petbow	50		1.6n	3.2	18.3
44	24	Pricom	31	●+1½	1.6	5.2	8.6
152	95½	Philips Fin 5¼%	£145	+2	575	4.0	
16½	10	Philips Lamps N/V	£16½	+½			
205	115	Pico	190	●	7.5	3.9	10.4
180	111½	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	150	●+5	7.5	5.0	8.2
214	114	Plessey	184		6.3	3.4	14.7
20½	13½	Do ADR 25	£18½	+½			
166	65	Pressac	138	-2	3.1	2.2	20.1
60	23	Quest Automation	33	-1			15.8
288	120	Racal Elect	178		4.3	2.4	11.3
196	142	Rotaflex	163		6.7	4.1	10.1
503	382	Scholes (GH)	485	●..	28.6	6.2	10.5
88	71	Shorrock	77		2.1	2.7	16.6
140	21	Sound Diffusion	39	+½	0.5	1.5	7.6
289	72	STC	106	-2	n		5.4
197	137	Stone Intl	170		6.5	3.8	10.6
119	74	System Designers	94	-2	0.6	0.6	34.6
21½	10½	TDK	£16½	+½			
230	168	Telephone Rentals	186	●-2	10.0	5.4	13.5
400	89	Telemetrix	121	●.	2.5	2.1	6.9
484	301	Thorn EMI	389	●+2	25.0	6.4	13.9
185	149	Thorpe (FW)	170		5.6	3.3	8.4
365	168	Tunstall Telecom	245	●.	2.4	1.0	16.9
230	158	UEI	230	+4	7.5	3.3	20.6
308	173	Unitech	223	-3	8.1	3.6	11.9
350	236	Utd Leasing	248		5.3	2.1	7.9
270	150	Utd Scientific	188	●-2	8.1	4.3	16.1
350	244	VG Instruments	326		2.7	0.8	28.2
258	123	Volex	240	●+2	11.4	4.8	10.0
65	40	Western Selection	55	●..	3.9	7.1	12.8
103	58	Whitworth Elec	85		2.2	2.6	13.0
325	220	Wholesale Fitting	265	-5	9.8	3.7	13.6

FINANCE AND LAND

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
334	210	Abingworth	243	-1	1.8	0.7	
193	128	Alban Hume	188	●-2	11.0	6.5	7.1
325	200	Antofagasta	325	●..	20.0	6.2	5.2
151	70	Berkley Tech	123	+8			
26	17½	Camellia	£24½	..	157	0.6	
218	159	Candover	210		2.9	1.4	62.3
36	10	Centreway	20		n		
20½	16½	Equity & Gen	17½	●	1.3	7.4	7.8
250	120	Hambro	245	-3	10.4	4.2	39.1
193	91	Ivory & Sime	163	●	6.1	3.7	28.4
173	114	Majedie	160		8.9	5.6	22.9
47	37	Nat Home Loans	43	+1			
48½	38	Do 8%	£42	-1	800	19.0	

FOODS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
166	128	ASDA-MFI	140	●..	4.1	2.9	17.9
27	18	Alpine Drinks	21	●	2.6	12.4	
375	253	Argyll	345	..	9.7	2.8	21.1
270	194	AB Food	244	●-8	8.0	3.3	11.7
128	88	Assoc Fisheries	120		4.6	3.8	11.1
679	559	Avana	589		16.8	2.9	18.0
260	195	Banks (Sidney C)	250		14.8	5.8	7.4
13½	8	Barker & Dobson	11½				19.0
301	183	Barr (AG)	301	●	12.1	4.0	8.5
206	133	Bassett Foods	150	●+5	9.7	6.5	8.7
128	65½	Batleys	101	●.	3.0	3.0	12.0
195	140	Bejam	168	-4	5.4	3.2	20.1
83	60	Bluebird Conf	75	●	7.4	9.9	21.3
87	37½	Br Vending (BVI)	60	+1	1.7	2.8	13.7
177	131	Cadbury-Schweppes	165	-1	8.4	5.1	11.1
180	108	Carrs Milling	173		8.8	5.0	9.5
175	130	Cliffords Dairies	175		9.6	5.5	13.1
161	115	Do A	161		9.6	6.0	12.1
315	119	Cullens	255	-5			
286	149	Dee	255	●-3	9.7	3.8	26.3
171	94	Fisher (Albert)	167		3.2	1.9	22.6
272	193	Fitch Lovell	253	●-2	14.6	5.8	19.2
313	220	Glass Glover	243	●-3	5.6	2.3	17.7
848	548	Hazlewood Foods	798	+10	11.4	1.4	25.9
226	180	Hillards	178		4.4	2.5	15.7
203	143	Hillsdown Hldgs	193	+3	5.3	2.7	22.3
85	52	Home Farm	80		4.6	5.6	8.2
612	385	Iceland Frozen	502	-2	8.6	1.7	25.1
244	170	Kwik Save	224	-2	6.9	3.1	16.5
88	47½	Lees (John J)	85	●..	2.1	2.4	12.6
60	47	Lovell (GF)	50		4.3	8.6	36.2
638	498	Low (Wm)	535		17.1	3.2	16.9
560	254	Matthews (Bernard)	525		11.1	2.1	24.8
113	78½	Meat Trade Supp	95	-3	7.5	7.9	14.4
168	94	Morrison (W)	158	●.	1.7	1.1	23.5
165	84	Needlers	163		7.1	4.4	12.2
270	197	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	225	+5	7.9	3.5	17.8
83	67½	Normans	75½	●-½	2.6	3.4	16.7
304	204	Nthn Foods	278	●-2	10.4	3.7	15.0
170	130	Nurdin & Peacock	158	●+4	5.2	3.3	14.9
137	105	Park Foods	129	●.	5.4	4.2	13.0
157	122	RHM	174	-1	7.6	4.4	11.9
447	340	Rowntree Mac	408		16.3	4.0	11.6
390	286	Sainsbury (J)	352	●..	6.8	1.9	23.1
145	117	Salvesen (Chstn)	131	●-1	4.1	3.1	17.2
190	20	Somportex	186	●+2			
591	418	Tate & Lyle	550	●-3	31.4	5.7	11.2
293	219	Tesco	285	●.	7.4	2.6	20.0
240	140	Unigate	228	-3	12.4	5.4	15.2
293	164	Utd Biscuits	240	-2	10.9	4.5	13.1
158	90	Watson & Philip	140	●..	8.3	5.9	17.5

HOTELS AND CATERERS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
413	275	Grand Met	381	-7	14.3	3.8	10.9
246	186	Kennedy Brookes	235	+2	1.7	0.7	13.8
332	241	Ladbroke	317	-8	15.0	4.7	19.1
465	348	Lon Park Hotels	447	●	11.0h	2.5	51.1
96	77	Mount Charlotte	92½	+½	1.8	1.9	17.1
112	67	Prince Of W Hotels	72	●+4	2.1	2.9	13.0
68	48½	Queens Moat	63	+1	2.2h	3.5	17.5
415	353	Savoy Hotels 'A'	375		3.6	1.0	18.4
78	29	Stakis	66	-1	1.7	2.6	15.7
169	119	Trusthouse Forte	148	-4	7.8	5.3	14.7

INDUSTRIALS

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1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
197	118	AAH	192		9.7	5.1	15.2
257	182	AGB Research	202	●-7	9.6	4.8	21.7
128	93	AIM	98		8.2	8.4	11.0
301	216	APV	283		16.1	5.7	32.4
112	71	Aaronson	82		6.0	7.3	9.9
222	148	Adwest	180	+2	11.1	6.2	11.5
250	136	Alexandra Workwear	250	+10	7.1	2.8	19.2
135	85	Amber Ind	130	●	9.7	7.5	9.4
370	86	Appledore	340	●-17	8.6	2.5	18.2
42	24	Aranson	36				7.3
38½	15	Armour	26	-2	0.3	1.2	13.4
425	325	Ash & Lacey	355	-3	28.6	8.1	10.9
67	14	Ashley	82		n		49.1
303	165	Ass Br Eng 8%	288	-6	11.4	4.0	
406	303	Assoc Heat	381		16.7	4.4	18.5
45	15	Aurora	41½	-½	1.1h	2.7	11.9
345	218	Avon Rubber	278	●.	8.1	2.9	10.0
73	25	Ayrshire Metal	70	+1	2.1	3.0	18.8
197	52	BBA	197	+3	2.9n	1.5	19.9
393	274	BET Dfd	366		21.8	6.0	14.9
87	59	BETEC	69	●	2.1	3.0	8.9
328	248	BOC	297	●+7	13.4	4.5	11.3
403	296	BTR	400		10.5	2.6	22.9
197	118	Babcock	182	-2	11.9	5.5	10.2
30	13½	Bailey (CH)	24½	-½			26.1
443	325	Baird (Wm)	430	●+2	26.0h	6.0	10.1
235	160	Baker Perkins	235	●-3	10.2	4.3	9.9
150	54	Banro Ind	150		7.9	5.3	17.3
144	112	Barham	143	+2	2.9	2.0	21.6
495	180	Barlow Rand	377	-16			
47	38	Barrow Hepburn	43		3.4	7.9	13.1
210	130	Barton Transport	180		25.7	14.3	5.5
61	23	Baynes (Charles)	31	●.	2.2	7.1	62.0
184	138	Beatson Clarke	150	●.	9.4	6.3	7.1
97	66	Beauford	95	●.	6.8	7.2	8.6
397	275	Beecham	366	●-1	16.1	4.4	15.1
		Bellair Cosmetics					
45	18	Benlox	20	-1	1.6	8.0	11.0
190	132	Bensford (S&W)	144	-3	15.0	10.4	4.4
116	73	Berisfords	91	●	7.5	8.2	8.7
327	100	Bespak	108	●	6.1	5.6	6.1
345	204	Bestobell	229	-3	n		12.0
438	129	Bestwood	370	+5	8.6e	2.3	46.5
32	15	Bevan (DF)	27		2.0h	7.4	6.6
265	220	Bibby (J)	280	●+5	9.5	3.4	17.1
183	135	Biddle	148	●	14.3	9.7	7.4
103	81	Beam (J)	78	●+2	4.0	5.1	5.0
98	80	Birmid Qualcast	95	..	4.8	5.1	7.7
128	102½	Birmingham Mint	128		8.6	6.7	13.1
172	75	Black Arrow	172	●.	6.4	3.7	14.5
243	190	Black (Peter)	216		2.4	1.1	20.3
41	22	Blackwood Hodge	36½				15.9
187	79	Bodycote	187	+4	8.6	4.6	9.3
308	223	Booker McConnell	290	+7	16.4	5.7	12.1
274	160	Boots	237	-6	9.3	3.9	16.5
70½	5½	Boulton (Wm)	9½				
368	274	Bowater	298	-2	12.5	4.2	11.0
24	15	Bowater Inc	£18½	-½			
138	75	Brathwaite Grp	93	-5	13.0n	14.0	
412	277	Brammer	331	-5	17.9	5.4	16.9
72	38	Brasway	66	●	3.2	4.8	9.6
57	30	Brengreen	36	●-1	2.1	5.8	11.4
54	28	Bridgend Gp	44				
150	97	Bridon	133	-7	8.1	4.6	10.3
158	99	Bridport-Gundry	158	-2	7.1	4.5	12.4
155	115	Br Bldg & Eng Appl	120	●	0.9	0.8	63.2
176	114	Br Steam	170	●	9.8	5.6	11.7
145	77	Br Syphon	110	-4	3.8	3.5	29.3
209	153	Br Vita	209		9.3	4.4	8.6
446	227	Broken Hill	383	s-9			
46	24	Bromsgrove Inds	44	●-2	1.6	3.6	9.7
19	10	Bronx Eng	15	.	0.7	4.5	
32	22	Brooke Tool	23		1.8	6.2	4.8
172	121	Brown & Tawse	172	●+1	9.6	5.6	11.4
38	21	Brown (John)	22				
78	50	Brunons (Musl)	58		4.3	7.4	13.0
253	184	Bullough	233	-22	10.1h	4.3	13.2
172	110	Burgess	152		2.9	1.9	14.5
	38	Burns-Anderson	52	●-1	3.9	6.2	13.5
63	28	Camford Eng	58	-1	2.5	4.3	6.9
38	25	Capero Ind	29		2.4	8.6	11.4
55	33	Cape Ind	52	-1	n		4.3
295	169	Carclo Eng	263	●	17.9h	6.8	6.3
53	39	Castings	51	●	3.8	6.2	9.1
32	20	Celestion	25		1.4	5.3	13.4
11	4	Central & Sheer	6		n		11.0
27	10	Centreway Ind	15		n		30.8
60	40	CH Ind	48	●	3.1	6.5	11.6
85	65	Chamberlain Ph	7?	●	5.5	7.8	9.1
64	48	Chamberlin & Hill	54	●	5.0	6.0	8.9
220	166	Charter Cons	216	-2	15.7	7.3	42.5
568	401	Chemring	568	●	19.3	3.4	12.4
326	208	Christies Int	283	-3	7.9	2.8	14.1
43	31	Christy Hunt	40				11.3
175	73	Clarke (Clement)	175	-7	8.5	3.7	27.1
145	82	Clayton Son	103	●.	10.7	10.4	8.0
530	380	Cohen (A)	410	●	15.4	3.8	7.8
169	102	Coloroll Gp	157	-3	6.5	4.1	14.2
38	7	Combined Tech	13½				
83	61	Concentric	83	●+2	9.3	6.4	11.4
29	20	Cope Stationery	26		2.5	9.6	6.6
84	52	Cook (Wm)	84	●	4.9	5.8	14.0
386	230	Cookson	386	●-3	9.3	2.3	10.5
288	135	Cope Allman	245	●	10.0	4.1	11.4
70	22	Copson (F)	42	●+2	2.1	5.0	23.6
75	55	Cosalt	73	●	3.9	5.3	11.3
385	210	Courtney Pope	350	+5	12.1	3.5	11.2
74	31	Cowan De Groot	73	+4	3.2	4.4	32.9
138	80	Crest Nicholson	129		5.9	4.6	10.8
170	126	Crown House	167	●	11.1	6.6	9.6
287	148	Cummins 3%	£191½	-2	375	2.0	
43	22	DSC	35	+2	0.7n	2.0	
483	350	DPCE	440	●..	4.3	1.0	32.0
252	196	Dalgety	235		17.5	7.6	9.0
28½	15½	Dana	£21½	●+½			
68	33	Davies & Metc A	48	●	3.2	6.7	
188	133	Davies & Newman	180	●.	13.4	7.4	5.7
127	81	Davy	93	-2	5.3	5.7	9.1
940	715	De La Rue	835	-5	42.9	5.1	11.0
190	105	Delta	168	-1	7.2	3.8	10.2
208	108	Dennend Stamping	198	●..	9.3	4.7	11.2
200	132	Desoutter	193		8.7	5.0	8.0
19	10½	Dinna Heal	19	●	0.8	4.2	17.8
298	158	Diploma	273	-2	7.5	2.7	16.9
97½	68	Dobson Park	93½	●-3½	7.4	7.9	13.4
155	73	Dom	108	●-2	7.1	6.6	11.9
118	74	Dominion Int	100	●-2	7.6	7.6	7.5
70	26	Duport	67	-3	2.6	3.9	17.2
32	12	Dwek	32	-1			18.5
91	66	Dyson (J&J)	88		5.7	6.5	21.4
87	64	Do 'A'	83	-1	5.7	6.9	20.2

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1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
395	283	Eastern Prod	300	-3	14.3	4.8	3.1
171	108	Edbro	166	●+1	10.0	6.0	7.1
240	148	EIS	230	●..	8.9	3.9	14.0
36	27½	Elbief	31½	..	2.5	7.8	13.3
119	85	Eleco	108	●..	5.3	4.9	11.7
31¼	12¼	Electrolux (AB) 'B'	£19½	-¼			
87	51	Elliott (B)	55	●	2.9	5.3	16.2
29½	18½	Emhart	£22½	●+¼	139	6.2	
306	216	English China Clay	282	-3	15.7	5.6	11.2
30	16½	Ericsson (LM) 'B'	£21½	+¼	9.0	0.4	
150	78	Erskine House	150	●+2	4.0	2.7	20.5
163	115	European Ferries	146½	-2½	6.1	4.2	10.0
163	101	Do 5% Prf	122	-1	7.1	5.8	
270	138	Evered	196	-2	4.6	2.3	17.1
140	104	Evode	119		4.6	3.8	13.8
148	90	Expamet Int	148	+2	7.6	5.1	19.4
403	272	Extel	390	-5	9.6	2.5	22.9
42	23	Falcon	25		1.4	5.6	6.4
37	26	Feedex Agric Ind	29	●-1	1.4	4.8	51.8
150	105	Fenner (JH)	110		7.1	6.5	17.3
185	60	Fife Indmar	65		5.0h	7.7	6.7
466	260	Fisons	465	●+2	6.9	1.5	24.8
47	32	Fitzwilton	37	-1	1.0	2.7	
112	66	Flexello C&W	102	●-2	5.4	5.3	7.6
46	29	Fobel	33½	●	0.6	1.8	4.0
115	55	Fogarty	102	●-3	5.7	5.6	39.2
30½	20½	Fokker Group N/V	29½	+½	1.9	6.4	8.7
172	135	Fothergill & Harvey	165		11.8	7.1	14.9
89	43	French (Thomas)	51	●..	4.1	8.0	48.6
112	84	GEI Int	89	●.	8.4	9.4	13.2
300	188	GKN	292	-4	15.7	5.4	11.6
280	200	GR	280	●..	10.0	3.8	7.2
74	55	Garton Eng	68	●..	4.3	6.3	7.3
121	98	Gestetner	114	●+2	2.1	1.8	10.5
124	64	Gieves	122	●..	4.3h	3.5	16.8
16½	533	Glaxo	888	+5	14.3	1.6	23.3
278	164	Glynwed	275	-3	13.9	5.1	15.8
85	30	Gomme	85	+2	2.9	3.4	6.9
640	433	Goring Kerr	455		15.0	3.3	17.5
182	85	Grampian Hldgs	182	+9	7.9	4.3	23.8
242	148	Granada	232	-2	10.1	4.4	18.4
16½	7½	Grovebell	9	-½	0.7	7.8	4.9
70½	39	Habit Precision	60		2.5h	4.2	12.0
160	114	Hall Eng	158	●+4	11.2	7.1	10.2
186	140	Hall (M)	140	●-2	6.8n	4.9	10.7
230	143	Halma	195		12.9	6.6	13.8
243	155	Hams	236	●-2	2.2	0.9	35.7
34	19½	Hampson Ind	27½	●.	1.7h	6.2	10.0
62	35	Hanimex	48	-2			
191	133½	Hanson	142	●-2	4.7	3.3	12.5
190½	135	Do 8½% Cnv	£147		800	5.4	
110½	96½	Do 5¼%	99	-½	8.2	8.3	
140	92	Hargreaves	140	+2	7.0	5.0	16.0
190	127	Harris (Philip)	185		12.1	6.5	17.7
471	359	Hawker Siddeley	471	+4	17.4	3.7	10.3
114	88	Hawley	103	-1	2.7	2.8	9.0
121	73	Hay (Norman)	110		5.4	4.9	15.2
172	120	Hepworth Ceramic	161	-2	9.9	6.1	11.5
128	55	Hestair	111	●+5	5.1	4.6	48.8
92	54	Hewitt (J)	73		3.4	4.7	9.7
140	56	Highgate & Job	135	..	n		26.2
93	62	Holas Bros	73		n		36.7
94	67	Holt Lloyd	72	●-1	5.4	7.5	10.5
174	100	Hopkinsons	172	+8	8.8	5.1	11.3
15	7	Howard Machinery			f		44.4
104	67	Howden	93	-1	4.8	5.2	9.3
14½	8½	Hudson Bay	£12		59.0	4.9	
268	165	Hunting Assoc	239	●+5	10.7	4.5	8.7
106	80	Hunting Group	88		8.6	9.8	19.2
289½	201	Hutchison Whampoa	239	+4			
134	88	IMI	132		8.7	5.1	11.9
295	190	Isotron	221	+2	1.8	0.8	41.0
310	205	Jacksons Bourne	290	●+3	8.8	3.0	15.2
132	93	Jardine Math	113	+3½			
477	423	Johnson Cleaners	477		28.0	5.9	13.9
153	93	Johnson Matthey	148		0.7	0.5	19.0
29	11½	Johnson & FB	23½	+½			11.8
250	160	Johnston	235	●..	10.4	4.4	14.9
79	41	Jones & Shipman	68	●..	4.1	6.0	8.8
148	114	Jourdan (Thomas)	142		9.5	6.7	10.9
36	22	Kalamazoo	24		2.9	12.1	8.0
29½	22½	Kalon	27	●.	1.7	6.3	19.3
235	185	Kelsey Ind	188	●.	11.4	8.1	4.7
125	78	Kennedy Smale	125		2.0h	1.8	21.9
385	230	Kershaw (A)	250	●+2	21.4	8.6	2.5
208	155	Kitchen (Rbt Taylor)	208	●..	15.7	7.6	9.2
148	80	Kleen-E-Ze	148	●.	7.1	4.8	31.8

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1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
30	13	LDH	29	..	0.5	1.7	17.5
285	185	Lep	285		6.8	2.4	26.3
239	140	Laird	238	-1	8.0	3.4	10.7
174	88	Lamont	148		5.1	3.4	13.0
54	25½	Lawtex	49		2.1	4.3	5.1
51	24½	Lee (Arthur)	45½	●-2	3.0	6.6	6.5
44	29	Lifecare	31	-1			26.3
83	62	Lilleshall	71	●.	2.9	4.1	11.5
86	27	Linread	85		2.9h	3.4	
72	32	Lloyd (FH)	61	-4½	3.6	5.9	17.7
31	20½	Locker (T)	25		1.9	7.6	8.3
232	175	Lon Midland	193	●-1	14.2	7.4	12.8
138	93	Do Dfd	103	●.			
85	56	Lon & Nthn	71	●-1	7.4h	10.4	6.3
174	99	Lon Ind	174		5.9	3.4	
160	86	Longton Ind	168	●	4.3	2.7	20.5
380	157	Low & Bonar	380	+5	12.9h	3.4	12.7
360	221	ML Hdgs	336	+1	11.1h	3.3	18.9
74	35	MS Int	74	●+1	0.7	0.9	10.6
38½	22½	MY Dart	38½	●+3	1.2	3.1	44.8
283	144	Macarthys Pharm	282	+1	13.6	4.8	17.4
150	87½	Macfarlane	128		3.2	2.5	21.2
47	34	Maclellan (P&W)	45		2.6	5.8	10.0
214	112	McKechnie	195	-2	11.4	5.8	13.8
88	45	Magnolia	78		3.9	5.0	11.2
568	206	Manchester Ship	520		7.9n	1.5	23.1
68	51	Manganese Bronze	56		4.3	7.6	6.4
122	70½	Manley	113	-2½	5.4	4.8	13.9
107	51½	Marling	80	●-1	2.3	2.9	9.7
85	45	Marshall (Loxley)	83	+5	4.3	5.2	12.9
84	37	Do 'A'	81	-1	4.3	5.3	12.8
77	53	Marshalls Univ	66	-6	2.9	4.4	16.3
368	285	Martonair	368		15.7	4.3	13.1
820	375	Metal Box	820	..	24.6	4.0	9.3
172	105	Metal Closures	137	-1	9.6	7.0	8.6
71	50	Metalrax	66		3.4h	5.2	11.8
85	55	Mitchell Cotts	70½	●-1½	6.1	8.7	7.1
84	56	Mitchell Somers	70		5.0	7.1	13.0
188	126	Molins	165	..	11.3n	6.8	10.4
248	187	Morgan Crucible	241	..	12.1n	5.0	14.1
130	69	Moss (Robert)	106	+1	4.4	4.2	11.8
24	9	Neepsend	23		0.1	0.4	11.9
173	119	Neill (J)	172	-1	10.0	5.8	7.3
144	74	Newman Tonks	130	-1	7.7h	5.9	12.9
59	26	Norton	55	●..	1.4	2.5	61.8
217	147	Norcros	189	●-2	12.6	6.7	9.5
253	148	Office Elect Mach	205	..	11.4	5.6	11.4
298	165	Parker Knoll A	263	..	13.6	5.2	9.6
238	123	Park Place	233	+3			
565	285	Parman JT	565	+20			
435	268	Pearson	400	-3	13.9	3.5	13.6
31	11	Peek	14	+1			33.3
97	73	Peerless	95	-1	8.0	6.5	9.7
364	258	Pegler-Hattersley	364		21.4	5.9	10.8
360	99	Pentland Ind	335	+15	1.5	0.4	31.3
850	4½	Photo-Me	813		7.5	0.9	21.1
358	248	Pilkington	346	●-5	17.9	5.2	7.9
68	48	Plastic Constr	60		3.8	6.3	13.0
656	480	Portals	645	-10	27.9	4.3	13.2
300	103	Porter Chadburn	250	+5	1.5n	0.6	
314	238	Powell Duffryn	254	●..	21.7	8.5	13.6
137	38	Prestwich Hldgs	130	-2	0.8	0.6	28.1
99	56½	Prichard Serv	71½		5.4	7.6	8.3
103½	79	RFD	97	●.	5.5	5.7	12.0
137	78	RHP	136	●..	6.1	4.5	10.0
133	72	Radiant Metal	128	●..	3.6	2.8	
504	288	Rank Org	497	.	21.4	4.3	13.6
133	65	Ransome Sims	125	-3	6.1	4.9	10.1
145	100	Ratcliffs (Gt Bridge)	120	.	5.0	4.2	4.3
653	475	Reckitt & Colman	648	-2	21.1	3.3	16.9
148	66	Redfearn Glass	138	●-3	2.9	2.1	8.2
215	120	Reed Executive	200	●.	5.0	2.5	16.6
742	528	Reed Int	689	-5	27.5	4.1	11.9
160	83	Relyon	138	..	6.4	4.7	10.5
68	45	Renold	59½	..	1.0	1.7	8.6
120	86	Restmor	90	●..	5.7	6.3	13.9
400	270	Reuters	385	+7	3.9	1.0	35.4
26½	18	Rexmore	23	●+1	1.4h	6.1	9.1
123	87	Ricardo Eng	122	..	3.9	3.2	13.3
65	35	Richards (Leics)	61		1.4	2.3	5.0
28	18	Richardson West	19½	.	n		8.9
159	105	Robertson Res	124	●-6	3.1	2.5	19.3
195	37	Robinson (Thomas)	195	..	n		20.0
58	38	Rockware	36	-1	n		3.2
192	128	Ropner	135		9.3	6.9	7.9
190	126	Do A	134	.	9.3	6.9	7.9
9	3	Rotaprint	5	..			2.4
137	105	Rotork	117	..	6.9	5.9	9.8
116	83	Russell (A)	118	.	2.0	1.7	63.8

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47	16	SI	19		2.3n	12.1	4.0
265	131	Sale Tilney	223	●.	7.6	3.4	14.1
88	55	Sanchurst	56	+1	1.7	3.0	16.2
57	43	Savile Gordon (J)	56	+4	3.5	6.3	13.1
502	366	Scapa	413		16.1	3.9	9.4
115	86	Scott Greenham	103	-1	4.3	4.2	14.3
130	60	Scott Heritable	126		4.0	3.2	12.8
115	89	Scott & Robertson	98	●..	3.6	3.8	12.8
164	109	Securicor	184	.	1.9	1.2	26.2
154	110	Do A	154		1.9	1.2	24.6
185	116	Security Serv	162		3.3	2.0	22.6
34	19	Senior Eng	30	.	2.3	7.5	12.6
99	38	Sheon	85	●-2	3.2	3.8	5.7
182	123	Siebe? (Sidlaw)	136	●	12.9	9.5	8.4
725	419	Siebe	713	-5	17.5	2.5	17.3
43	28	Silentnight	32		3.9n	12.2	10.4
250	180	Simon Eng	202	-4	11.4	5.6	7.6
110	83	Six Hundred	92	-½	7.9	8.6	8.3
418	320	Sketchley	390		22.4	5.7	16.2
31	16	SKF B	£29	+½			
219	164	Smith & Nephew	209	+3	5.8	2.8	21.0
44	28	Smith Whitworth	31	-2	0.4	1.3	20.9
245	161	Smiths Ind	244	●-8	6.4	2.6	19.0
84	30	Sparrow (GW)	77		1.1	1.4	90.6
193	93	Spear (JW)	193	+3	5.7	3.0	17.5
275	130	Spear & Jackson	268		8.6	3.2	11.6
158	35	Spencer Clark	148	●-2	4.3	2.9	7.9
184	122	Spirax-Sarco	142	-2	6.7	4.7	11.5
102	59	Staffs Potteries	74	+1	4.3	5.8	7.5
103	50	Stag Furniture	91	●.	3.9	4.3	
119	78	Standard Fireworks	101	-1	5.5	5.4	7.9
63	28	Star Comp	50				22.4
400	282	Staveley	403		23.6	5.9	11.2
396	285	Steetley	386	-1	17.9	4.9	11.7
100	58	Sterling Ind	98	●	3.3	3.4	32.1
190	130	Stocklake	190		17.1	9.0	4.0
120	87	Stonehill	91		8.6	9.5	9.5
210	113	Stothert & Pitt	171	+2			5.0
243	178	Sumrie? (Sunlight Serv)	186	●	12.9	6.9	9.0
52	24	Sutcliffe Speakman	37	-1			35.2
199	112	Suter	188		6.0	3.2	17.8
303	207	Swire Pacific A	254	-20			
27	6	Sycamore	25	+3			
240	180	Syltone	205	●+2	14.3	7.0	8.2
433	206	T?	395	-4	14.3	3.8	18.5
153	91	TNT	151	+2	h		
320	94	TSL Thermal	233	+5	4.3	1.8	11.9
531	331	Tace	430	+5	9.5	2.2	20.1
37	21	Takeda Chem	£37	+½			
9	5½	Tabbex	7	..			9.2
78	44	Tabos	70	r	3.9h	5.6	13.5
140	60	Tex Hldgs	140	●	6.1h	4.4	14.8
95	85	Third Mile	93	●	2.9	3.1	14.0
136	35	Thomson T-Line	128	+5	n		
158	104	Tinsool	158	-3	5.3	3.4	21.6
248	137	Tomkins (FH)	225	-1	3.5	1.5	28.3
400	308	Trafalgar House	312	-6	18.4	5.3	8.5
231	196	Transcontinental	209		9.6	4.6	15.4
147	105	Transport Dev	146		8.1	5.5	13.1
16	7	Tranwood	11		n		13.8
77	38	Triefus	77	-2	0.1n	0.1	
89	29	Triplex	85		2.9h	3.4	13.0
142	81	Turner & Newall	132	-4	4.1	3.1	6.1
144	94	UKO	115	●-7	7.1	5.2	5.3
124	20	Unigroup	118	r-2	1.6n	1.5	24.5
14	998	Unilever	£13	●	50.9	3.7	13.1
63	44½	Unilever (NV)	£61½	+2½			
235	164	Valor	230	-5	6.7	2.9	11.6
340	210	Vickers	318	-3	15.7	4.9	11.8
140	78	Victor Products	112		6.6	5.9	11.8
208	101	Vinten	185	+2	4.5b	2.5	31.8
160	52½	Volkswagen	£153	+3½			
305	142	Vosper	191	-1			7.4
86	30	WSL					
174	110	Wade Potteries	133		4.3	3.2	13.5
191	98	Wadkin	191		2.1	1.1	
183	125	Wagon Ind	157	+1	11.1n	7.1	12.8
86	34½	Waterford Glass	86	+3	1.9	2.2	
185	153	Watshams	176		5.1h	2.9	23.9
288	81	Watson (R Kelvin)	288	●.	2.3	0.8	30.0
264	180½	Wedgwood	253	+1	10.7	4.2	11.8
84	40	Weir	78½	..	4.1n	5.2	6.5
19	6	Wellman	18½	..			
153	58	Westland	123	-7			42.7
88	68	Weeks	81	-1	7.9	9.8	11.2
285	185	Whatman Reeve	240	+5	3.1	1.3	21.7
112	84	Whessoe	90	-2	7.9	8.8	7.9
198	136	Whitecroft	190	●-2	11.3	5.9	10.1
224	128	Wilkes (James)	175		9.4	5.4	12.1
445	168	Williams Hldgs	445	+2	10.0	2.2	22.7
188	126	Wills Gp	150	+5	11.4	7.6	43.0
464	137	Wolseley-Hughes	453	-3	12.6	2.8	13.5
91	48	Wood (Arthur)	58		5.0	8.6	4.4
40	18	Wood (SW)	30		1.4	4.7	10.6
70½	15	Woodhouse & Rix	71½	+6	2.9	4.1	28.5
88	66	Wyndham Eng	84		2.1	2.5	16.7
603	370	Yarrow	560		20.0h	3.6	12.2
148	88	Young (H)	148		3.9	2.6	14.9

INSURANCE

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
251	185	Abbey Life	208	-6	9.4	4.5	..
28½	18½	Alex & Alex	£25½	+½	100	3.9	..
28½	19½	Am Gen	£26	+¼	89.0	3.4	
236	190	Bradstock	235		7.9	3.4	16.2
837	583	Britannic	829	-3	37.9	4.6	..
261	174	Com Union	241	-2	16.9	7.0	
253	208	Equity & Law	253	+5	8.0	3.0	
348	104	FAI	348	s+2	1.0	2.7	
756	503	Gen Accident	725	-3	28.6	3.9	18.2
788	618	GRE	755	-5	37.9	5.0	21.9
723	548	Heath C E	685	●	31.4	4.6	10.5
311	217	Hogg Robinson	309	●-2	13.4	4.3	14.7
777	545	Legal & Gen	719		32.1	4.5	..
34	19	Lib Life SA R1	£19				
872	642	London & Man	819	-3	31.5	3.9	32.4
320	242	Lon Utd Inv	303	+3	18.6h	6.1	11.6
66½	46½	Marsh & McLen	£66½	●+2½	220	3.3	..
308	161	Minet	267	-1	9.9	3.7	17.8
565	218	PWS	288	●-10	12.9	4.5	36.0
14	977	Pearl	£12½		56.4	4.5	
819	493	Prudential	787	-2	34.3	4.4	51.9
435	276	Refuge	418		16.8	4.0	
828	515	Royal	785	-10	34.8	4.4	18.7
410	332	Sedgwick Gp	380	-1	14.8	3.8	17.1
774	510	Stewart Wrson	774		28.7	3.7	21.0
450	320	Sturge Hldgs	415	●.	8.6	2.1	27.8
590	391	Sun Alliance	586	-2	22.1	3.8	82.7
904	709	Sun Life	842	+5	30.5	3.6	
395	220	Trade Indemnity	385		12.8	3.5	13.3
469	289	Willis Faber	462	-7	10.4	2.3	

LEISURE

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
146	86	Barr & WA 'A'	121	-2	10.0	8.3	8.9
188	133	Boosey & Hawkes	143		n		21.4
130	100	Brent Walker	102	-1	7.9	7.7	8.6
52	22	Campari	43		1.4	3.3	11.5
235	170	Chrysalis	210	-3	8.0	3.8	13.6
433	231	First Leisure	415		10.7	2.6	15.9
69½	51½	GRA	58½	+½			71.3
75	35	Hemburger Brooks	68				44.4
146	78	Horizon Travel	102	-2	6.3	6.2	19.8
140	93	Int Leisure	119	●-2	6.9	5.8	8.8
231	66	Julianas Hldgs	100	●+2	3.0	3.0	15.6
205	124	Medminster	150	●+5	7.6	5.1	10.0
340	184	Pleasurama	313	-2	8.9	2.8	18.9
63	32	Riley Leisure	56	-2	n		5.1
213	147	Saga Holidays	213	+1	6.1	2.9	23.1
304	213½	Samuelson Gp	282	-7	3.4	1.2	
80	54	Tottenham Hotspur	54		5.7	10.6	9.8
133	92	Zetters	133		8.1	4.6	11.4

MINING

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
22	8½	Ang Amer Coal	£11½	+½			
11½	570	Ang Am	£10½	+½	54.0	5.3	..
79	28½	Am Gold	£33½	+1½	446	8.3	..
47½	28½	AAIT	£44	+1	271	6.2	..
38	21	Anglovaal	£38	+1	142	3.7	..
38	21	Do A	£38	+1	142	3.7	..
295	158	Ayer Hitam	168	●.	47.5	28.3	..
787	255	Blyvoors	394	-6	79.0	20.1	..
187	71	Bracken	135		28.0	19.3	..
37	12½	Buffels	£19½	+½	262	13.3	..
392	208	CRA	286	-2			
100	52	Carr Boyd	88	+2			
584	397	Cons Goldfields	484	-8	35.0	7.2	11.9
450	257	De Beers	427	+8	18.0	4.2	..
290	95	Deelkraal	180		4.0	2.2	..
16½	5½	Doornfontein	£6½	+½	92.0	10.4	..
23½	8½	Driefontein	£13	+½	126	9.6	..
12½	3½	Durban	£6½	+½	n		
318	143	E Daggas	230	+10			
780	275	Elandsrand	569	+25	12.0	2.1	..
160	128	El Oro	141		6.9	4.3	11.8
248	80	Elsburg	180		14.0	7.8	..
488	233	E Rand Gold	370	+17	28.0	7.6	..
730	2½	E Rand Prp	£3½				
213	64	Free State Dev	188	+3			
25	12	FS Geduld	£17½	+½	182	9.2	..
248	43	Geevor Tin	58		17.1n	29.5	2.2
11	4½	Gencor	£8½	+½	60.0	7.3	..
12½	4½	Gen Mining	£9	+½	87.0	9.7	..
14½	5½	GFSA	£10½	+½	46.0	4.5	..
808	348	GM Kalgoorli	473	-5			
175	58	Gopeng	58	+19	20.0	34.5	..
850	230	Grootvlei	369		54.0	14.6	..
218	113½	Hampton Areas	131	●-2	5.4	4.1	39.8
13½	4½	Harmony	£9½		62.8	6.6	..
525	190	Hartebeest	330		17.0	5.2	..
87	40	Johnnies	£78	+1½	34.6	4.5	..
18½	6½	Kinross	£11½	+½	89.0	7.7	..
8½	3½	Kloof	£6½		40.0	6.5	..
278	87	Leslie	145	+5	29.0	20.0	..
28½	7½	Libanon	£13	+½	115	8.8	..
423	183	Lorraine	400	+7			
186	110	MIM	149	-3			
56	21	Malaysian Mining	24	●			
175	70	Marievale	100	+5	17.0	17.0	..
38	18½	Metals Exploration	20½	-½			
17	7	Minangura	10	-1	n		
10½	4½	Middle Wits	£8	+½			
792	450	Minorco	618	-2	10.0	1.6	..
5½	2½	New Wits	£5½	-½	23.0	4.2	..
165	99	Nth Broken Hill	140	-1			
54½	28½	Nth Kalgurli	46½	-2			
375	195	Northgate	240	-5			
280	108	Peaking Tin	108	-15			
318	205	Peko Wallsend	273	-4			
25½	9½	Pres Brand	£13½	+½	16.0	12.0	..
27½	10	Pres Steyn	£14½	+½	20.7	13.9	..
33½	14	Rand Mines Ltd	£22	●			
800	275	Rand Mines Prop	435	+15	12.0	2.8	11.9
95	16	Randfontein	£88½	+1½	551	8.1	..
308	231	Renison	273	-2			
887	507	RTZ	569	●-5	29.3	5.1	8.0
8½	4½	Rustenburg	£6½	+½	26.0	3.8	51.8
26½	8½	St Helena	£10½	+½	125	12.3	..
276	78	SA Land	160	+7	18.0	11.3	..
73½	15½	Southvaal	£29	+½	118	4.1	..
8½	319	Stilfontein	525				
280	123	Sungei Besi	123		n		
275	125	Tanjong	125				8.4
14½	8	Tara	£9½				
310	113	Tronoh	113				
885	335	Unisel	500		46.0	9.2	..
87	32½	Vaal Reefs	£59	+2½	556	9.4	..
644	315	Venterspost	513	-5	54.0	10.5	..
170	55	Vlakfontein	95	+5	15.0	15.8	..
115	50	Vogels	85	●	4.3	5.1	11.1
15	10½	Wankie Colliery	10½				
737	340	Welkom	498	+5	67.0	13.5	..
420	143	Western Areas	290	-5	23.0	7.9	..
39	16½	Western Deep	£26½	+½	171	3.9	..
36	13½	Western Holdings	£19½	+½	259	13.5	..
248	142	Western Mining	181	-3	3.0	1.7	..
470	140	West Rand Cons	250	+10	12.0	4.8	..
182	114	Whim Creek	122	-2			
31	8½	Winkelhaak	£15½	+½	175	11.5	..
107	30	Wh Nigel	51	-2	1.1	2.2	..
19	10	Zambia Copper	15½	-½			
86	32	Zandpan	54	-1	37	6.9	..

MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
164	111	AE	156	●+1	7.1	4.6	10.9
83	39	Appleyard	83	+2	4.3	5.2	7.3
91	32	Armstrong	90½	●+2	1.6	1.8	12.0
183	55	Auto Products	192	+1	2.1	1.1	45.1
27½	22	BSG	26½	●..	1.5	5.7	11.5
		Blumel Bros					
215	128	Bramall (CD)	215	●+4	9.9	4.6	11.2
483	293	Br Aerospace	448	-8	20.3	4.5	8.4
108	79	Br Car Auctions	108	+1	4.6	4.3	11.9
47	26	BL	42	+6			
176	120	Caffyns	170	●	6.6	3.9	
91	41	Cowie (T)	91	+2	4.3	4.7	12.7
126	86½	Davis (Godfrey)	125	+1	5.7	4.6	15.0
227	164	Dowty	178	-1	7.3	4.1	13.7
46	32	ERF	38	-1			8.1
342	242	FR Group	317	+3			
229	148	Ford Motor	225	●+2	7.0	3.1	
92	58	Gates (Frank G)	68	+2	4.3	6.3	8.2
378	228	General Motor	265	●+3	25.0	9.4	
60	43	Glanfield Lawrence	53				11.1
129	69	Group Lotus	129				49.4
84	48	Hartwells	73	●+3	3.8	5.2	9.7
549	354	Honda Motor	435	●+13	3.8	0.9	
412	237	Jaguar	412	+22	11.1	2.7	13.3
83	62	Jessups	83		5.7	6.9	6.3
160	97	Kenning Motor	156	-2	9.3	6.0	24.3
60	28	Kwik-Fit	58		2.6	4.7	17.4
323	159	Lex	279	..	15.1	5.4	8.0
104	83	Lookers	104	..	7.0	6.7	5.4
515	233	Lucas	513	+2	15.7	3.1	10.3
121	85	Perry Gp	121		8.3	8.2	13.5
84	66	Plaxtons (GB)	81	●+2	6.4	7.8	11.0
57	39	Quick (HJ)	57		3.7	6.5	
50	28	Supra	50	+1	2.8	5.6	14.2
48	21	Woodhead (Jonas)	39		0.1n	0.3	9.9

NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
283	185	Assoc Book	205		7.5	3.7	11.8
10½	488	Assoc Newspaper	900	●	24.3	2.7	12.1
350	255	Black (A&C)	300	-5	13.9	4.6	16.7
800	388	Bristol	530	●.	32.9	6.2	20.5
495	333	Collins (Wm)	490		9.8	2.0	25.1
338	263	Do A	323		9.8	3.0	16.6
169	95	Emap A	158	●+5	4.7	3.0	23.4
380	280	Haynes Publishing	370	+2	2.0	0.5	19.3
171	83	Home Counties	113		6.7	5.9	4.8
288	130	Independent	280	+10	12.0	4.3	
622	428	Int Thomson	431	+2	14.0	3.2	12.9
740	505	News International	740	+30	15.1	2.0	
585	422	Octopus	485	+5	8.2	1.7	27.7
147	118	Portsmouth Sund	124	●+1	5.7	4.8	12.4
277	220	Trinity Intl	225		17.4	7.7	7.5
330	260	Utd Newspapers	318	-2	22.9	7.2	12.2

OIL

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
129	91	Ampol	126				
52	18	Aran Energy	32				
78	20	Atlantic Resources	23	-2			
610	470	Br Petroleum	562	-10	45.7	8.0	7.1
32		Bristol Oil	11	-1	n		
358	295	Br Borneo	328		26.4	8.0	12.1
243	181	Britoil	194	-6	16.6n	9.6	5.3
320	200	Burmah	329	-2	15.4	5.0	11.6
175	70	Carless Capel	85		3.9	4.5	9.4
91	66	Century	86		5.1	6.6	42.4
57	22	Charterhall	35	-1	0.9	3.6	3.6
112	66	Charterhouse Pet	100		1.8n	1.8	13.3
209	130	Enterprise	136	-1	12.1	8.9	4.6
71	28	Gaither Energy	36	-25			
355	230	Global N Res	230				
99	34	Goal Pet	54	r	1.4	2.6	6.4
310	80	Gt Western Res	80	●-10	4.1	6.8	
361	273	IC Gas	276	●-1	22.1	8.0	8.2
25	4	ICC Oil	5				6.3
54	50	Inoco	52				
43	15	KCA Drilling	25		4.3	17.2	
379	175	LASMO	180	-5	17.4	9.7	11.0
520	260	Do Units	270		144	53.4	
175	40	New London Oil	43				
210	131	Petrocon	131		7.9	6.0	7.1
50	26½	Premier	32½	-1			15.3
480	215	Ranger	240	-15			
50½	40	Royal Dutch	£44	+½	226	5.1	
791	520	Shell	668	-3	48.0	7.2	5.2
175	141	Sifolene	143	●	12.9	9.0	9.6
207	57	Sovereign	77	-5			2.7
33	20	TR Energy	21				21.1
263	120	Tricentrol	145	+5	14.3	9.9	4.1
605	100	Triton Europe	240				
248	190	Ultramar	210	-5	15.0	7.1	4.5

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
238	131	Anglo Indonesian	181		10.7	5.9	3.9
41	24	Borthwick	32	●-1	0.7	2.2	8.9
162	83	Finlay (James)	90	-1	5.9	6.6	4.3
476	325	Harrison Crosfield	333	●-2	28.6	8.6	10.1
458	290	Inchcape	353	-13	25.9	7.3	16.0
33	25	Jacks (Wm)	28		1.4	4.5	8.9
236	147	Lonrho	236	+4	17.1	7.2	9.2
57	44	Ocean Wilson	55	●	4.2	7.6	7.0
240	128	Paterson Zoch	215	+7	8.4	3.9	7.0
240	128	Do A	215	-5	8.4	3.9	7.0
289	150	Polly Peck	158	-5	7.5	4.7	3.0
85	40	Sime Darby	49	●-2			
585	465	Steel Bros	580		22.9	3.9	9.6
84	25	Tozer Kemsley	78	-3			25.6
251	158	Yule Catto	168		8.9	5.3	7.3

PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
110	43	Accom Int	45		1.2	2.7	18.5
239	173	Assoc Paper	238	●	8.6	3.6	14.3
50	33	Ault & Wiborg	38		n		9.2
178	128	Bemrose	140		1.8	1.3	8.1
412	224	Boase Massimi	247		5.4	2.2	22.6
223	158	BPCC	222	-1	17.1h	7.7	8.4
172	130	Brunning	147	●	7.0	4.8	36.8
162	103	Do RV	146	●	7.0	4.8	36.6
533	408	Bunzl	501		14.3	2.9	16.3
820	461	Carlton Comm	735	●-5	8.6	1.2	24.0
291	178	Chapman	180		12.0	6.7	8.3
208	113	Cropper (James)	183	-3	3.6	2.0	10.1
227	148	DRG	209	-1	11.8	5.6	9.9
168	145	Davidson Pearce	150	-3			
580	380	Eucalyptus Pulp	380		10.0	2.6	2.8
184	128	Ferguson Ind	180	●	10.6	5.9	12.5
495	350	Fitch Design	375	-10	8.0	2.1	28.1
175	53	Geers Gross	56	+1	4.3	7.7	5.8
263	110	Good Relations	130	-3	7.7	5.9	13.1
348	218	Lowe H-S C-E	320	-2	8.6	2.7	21.2
191½	133	McCorquodale	160	●-3	8.1	5.1	15.9
103	65	More O'Ferrall	100	+2	4.9	4.9	17.7
143	100	Norton Opax	143	●	4.3	3.0	17.8
39½	27	Ogilvy & Mather	£33	●+½			
45	27	Olives Paper	32		n		30.2
580	458	St Ives Gp	675	+5	12.9	1.9	27.1
915	615	Saatchi & Saatchi	790		20.0	2.5	17.6
128	103	Do 6.3% Cnv Prf	128		9.0	7.0	
142	72½	Smurfit (Jeff)	137		4.7	3.4	
215	195	Usher Walker	203	●.	9.7	4.8	10.9
52	28	Wace	47				10.8
530	456	Waddington (J)	600		35.7	6.0	11.8
288	223	Watmough	275		8.9h	3.2	13.1

PROPERTY

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
34	11	Abaco	28½	-1	0.2	0.7	44.5
80	68	Allied Lon	74	..	2.0	2.7	17.5
123	70	Apex	75		2.9	3.9	15.7
166	70	Barstow Eves	162		2.7n	1.7	28.4
504	361	Beazer (CH)	486	●-4	17.1	3.5	11.7
150	80	Belgrave	86	-1	6.0	7.0	5.9
236	212	Bilton (P)	228		15.1	6.6	14.6
470	360	Bradford	460	-5	13.9	3.0	19.4
185	131	Br Land	155	●	3.9	2.5	15.8
156	122	Brixton	145	●	7.6	5.2	22.3
45	28	Card (A) &Sons	36				
228	195	Cap & Counties	220	●	6.6	3.9	25.0
225	145	Cardiff Prop	205	●	2.6	1.3	
240	173	Centrovincial	188	-2	8.6	4.6	18.7
480	400	Chesterfield	425	●	15.7	3.7	23.2
863	503½	CALA	830	r+20	25.7n	3.1	12.3
186	138	Clarke Nickolls	138	●	9.0f	6.5	32.2
195	85	Connells	195	-4	5.0	2.6	24.3
43	17	Control Secs	18		4.5	25.0	3.4
116	97	Country & New	108	●-1	2.3	2.1	71.1
141	89	County B	140		5.0	3.6	4.7
235	175	Cussins	195	●	8.6	4.6	20.6
560	303	Daejan	535		18.8	3.5	11.2
250	206	Dartt Dev	230	-24			
21	6	Dares	8				3.0
168	145	Estates & Agency	158		4.3	2.7	70.9
121	89	Estates Gen	113		3.4	3.0	32.7
159	140	Estates Prop	143	●	12.1	8.5	12.5
92	69	Evans Of Leeds	85		5.0	5.9	10.5
48	26	Five Oaks	47	-1			6.6
185	150	Frogmore	183	●-2	9.9	5.4	11.4
174	140	Gt Portland	158	-3	10.0	6.3	23.2
248	184	Greycoat	230	●-2	2.8	1.2	45.4
137	78	Hallwood Go	99	●-2	7.0	7.1	
520	430	Hammerson	460	-5	12.1	2.8	32.5
515	415	Do A	450	-5	12.1	2.7	31.8
155	93	Hanover	140		4.6	3.3	24.0
260	198	Hardanger	245	●	14.0	5.7	9.3
538	444	Haslemere	494	●	14.0	2.8	31.8
325	255	Imry	260		7.7	2.7	33.3
180	85	Jermyn	160		2.3	1.4	91.4
315	262	Laing Prop	280	-3	9.5	3.4	15.1
62½	35	Land Investors	52	-2	1.7	2.7	35.2
325	255	Land Securities	295	●-2	12.1	4.1	25.5
525	188	Lon & Edin Tst	510	●	9.6	1.9	23.5
169	102½	Do 6%	169	+2	9.3	5.5	
328	218	Lon & Prov Shop	230	●	6.6	2.9	20.3
165	119	Lon Shop Prop	185	r	7.6n	4.6	19.9
335	290	Lynton	298	●	8.6h	2.9	37.4
320	255	MEPC	292	-2	15.0	5.1	18.7
101	56	McInerney	95	●			
130	105	McKay Secs	105	●	4.9h	4.7	18.2
107	35	Markheath	58		3.1h	5.3	26.2
128	125	Marvale Moore	125				
70	50	Marlborough	62	●	0.8h	1.3	31.8
195	120	Marler Est	183		4.3n	2.3	18.3
580	228	Mountleigh	580	+5	9.3	1.6	18.2
410	288	Mountview	405	●-5	6.4	1.6	8.4
97	76	Muckow (A&J)	88	●	7.2	8.2	13.5
24	12	Municipal	£20		15.7	0.8	50.2
82	70½	New Cavendish	75		1.7	2.3	33.0
51	26	Parkdale	45		2.1h	4.7	22.7
280	230	Peachey	264	●-1	11.4	4.3	35.1
202	176	Prop & Rev	180		6.2	3.4	30.2
132	107	Prop Hldgs	173	+1	3.8	3.4	27.8
125	98	Prop Security	113	●+1	3.6h	3.2	24.5
10	7	Raglan	9½	+½	0.1	1.1	
445	65	Regalian	385	+5	5.2	1.4	27.8
430	190	Rosehaugh	430				
284	210	Rush & Tompkins	264		11.2	4.2	11.8
188	142	Samuel	160	●+3	8.4	5.3	25.0
92	78	Scot Met	81		5.7	7.0	18.6
168	125	Slough Estates	149	-1	7.4	5.0	16.5
325	175	Speyhawk	285	●	13.6	4.8	14.5
162	144	Stand Secs	148	●..	5.8	3.9	16.6
570	405	Stock Conversion	520		12.1	2.3	24.1
80	54	Stockley	74				
49	38	Town Centre	48		1.4	2.9	28.6
240	188	Trafford Park	203		16.4	8.1	13.4
805	480	Utd Real	540	●	17.1	3.2	22.1
745	525	Warner	740		25.7	3.5	42.7
510	410	Warnford	475		21.4	4.5	45.5
28½	17	Webb (Jos)	20		0.7	3.5	64.5
183	140	West & Country	160	●+5	11.4	7.1	9.1

SHIPPING

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
414	181	Assoc Br Ports	386	-6	12.5	3.2	..
355	226	Br Commonwealth	321	-12	6.3	2.0	24.8
328	208	Caledonia	310	-10	6.1	2.0	68.9
121	70	Fisher (James)	75		4.7	6.3	6.9
650	520	Graig	583	●	17.9	3.1	28.0
84½	52	Jacobs (JI)	59½	●-1	5.0h	8.4	27.9
22	8½	Lyle	12½		n		0.2
42	17	Mersey Docks	33	+1			1.3
201	126	Ocean Transport	184	-3	8.4	4.6	13.6
463	338	P & O Dfd	453	-5	20.0	4.4	13.9
110	75	Runciman (Walter)	102	●	7.1	7.0	30.3
430	285	Turnbull Scott	390	●..	12.9	3.4	31.3

SHOES AND LEATHER

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
315	198	FII	315	●	8.9	2.8	12.3
238	163	Garnar Booth	166	+2	13.1	7.9	5.0
43	31	Headlam Sims	34		3.1n	9.1	7.7
223	133	Lambert Howarth	180		7.2	4.0	9.4
98	60	Newbold & Burton	78		4.4	5.6	
94	48½	Pittard	82		5.8	7.1	5.9
152	116	Strong & Fisher	124		10.7	8.6	5.0
206	143	Stylo	168	+7	6.4	3.8	20.8

TEXTILES

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
527	280	Allied Text	438	-2	18.6	4.2	11.1
200	104	Atkins Bros	170		8.1	4.8	43.8
112	71	Beale (John)	104	●	5.9n	5.7	4.5
102	84	Beckman (A)	86	●-1	8.2	9.2	10.4
153	107	Br Mohair	130	●+1	8.6	6.8	7.1
85	50	Bulmer & Lumb	69	●-2	7.1	10.3	17.3
228	129	Coats Patons	224	●-1	8.2	3.7	9.3
73	52	Corah	58	-1	5.7	9.8	8.0
215	121	Courtaulds	214	●	7.6	3.6	9.1
94	37	Crowther (J)	87	+1	2.1	2.4	23.3
228	151	Dawson	200	●-2	8.9h	4.5	12.8
75	30	Debron	55	-2			27.4
296	118	Dixon (D)	246	●	9.3	3.8	7.4
146	70	Don Bros	146	+4	4.3	2.9	7.2
188	35	Dura Mill	35		5.7	16.3	4.7
84	47	Foster (John)	70	-1	5.0	7.1	6.3
108	84	Gaskell Broadloom	103		7.9	7.7	7.1
63	33	Hicking Pentecost	33		h		32.4
150	85	Ingram (Harold)	100		3.9	3.9	12.9
75	50	Jerome (S)	69	●-1	4.5	6.5	9.1
165	101	Leeds	140	●	7.4	5.3	9.1
74	45	Lister	72		0.4	0.6	22.5
85	67	Lyles (S)	81	●	7.9	9.8	16.9
94	67	Mackay (Hugh)	77		6.6	8.6	15.5
29	7	Munton	15	+1			5.3
128	88	Parkland 'A'	122	-3	6.9	5.7	5.8
38	24	Readicut	35		2.3	6.5	9.2
174	130	SEET	131	●+1	7.3h	5.6	5.3
45	28	Shaw Carpets	32		3.8n	11.1	18.1
152	108	Sirdar	148	●-4	5.9	4.0	11.9
95	33	Smallshaw (R)	53	●-1	3.6	6.8	6.1
77	37½	Stroud Riley	71	●-2	3.6	5.1	12.5
125	85	Textured Jersey	124	+9	7.1	5.7	8.9
218	110	Tomkinsons	218	●	8.6	3.9	8.7
84	55	Tootal	82	●	5.7h	6.9	8.9
290	130	Yorklyde	250	+10	9.3	3.7	11.4

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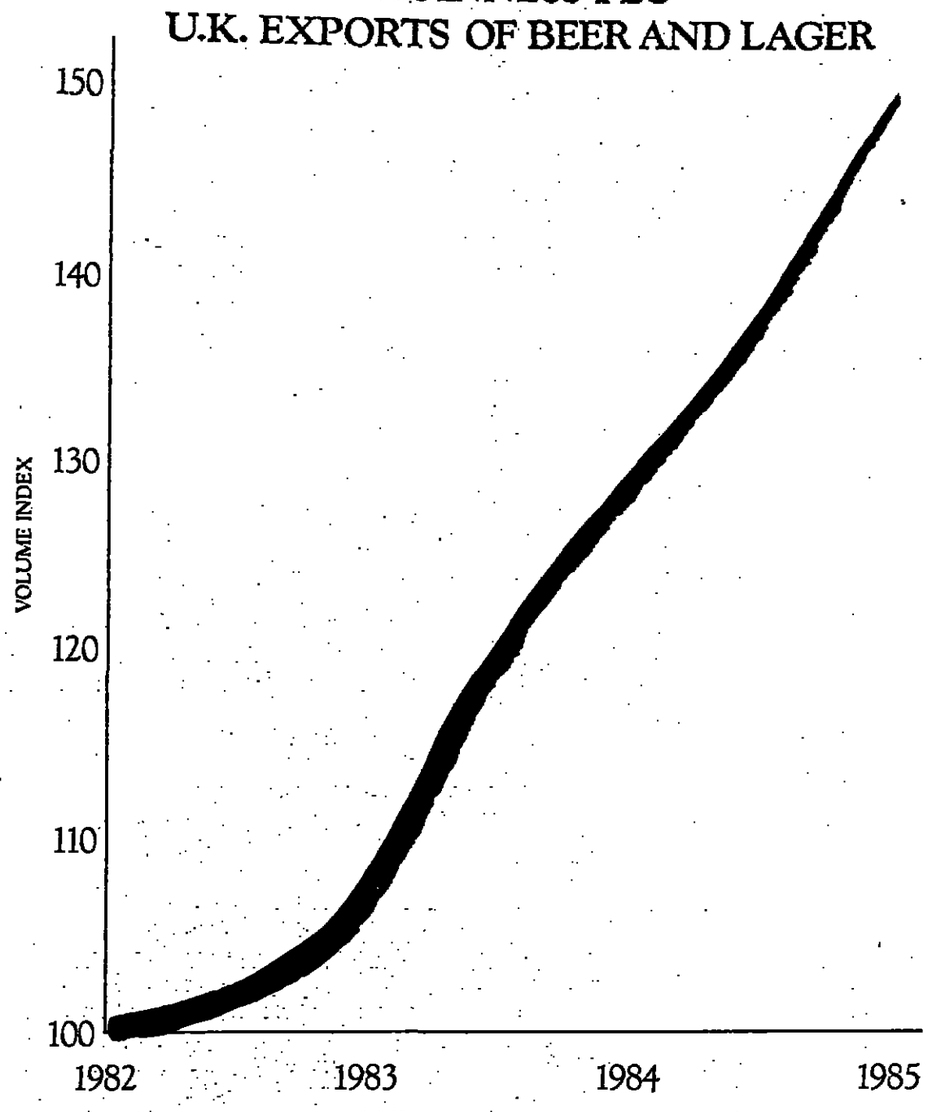
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271	182	Imperial	240	-6	13.7	5.7	10.7
205	117	Rothmans B	133	-4	9.1	6.8	4.8

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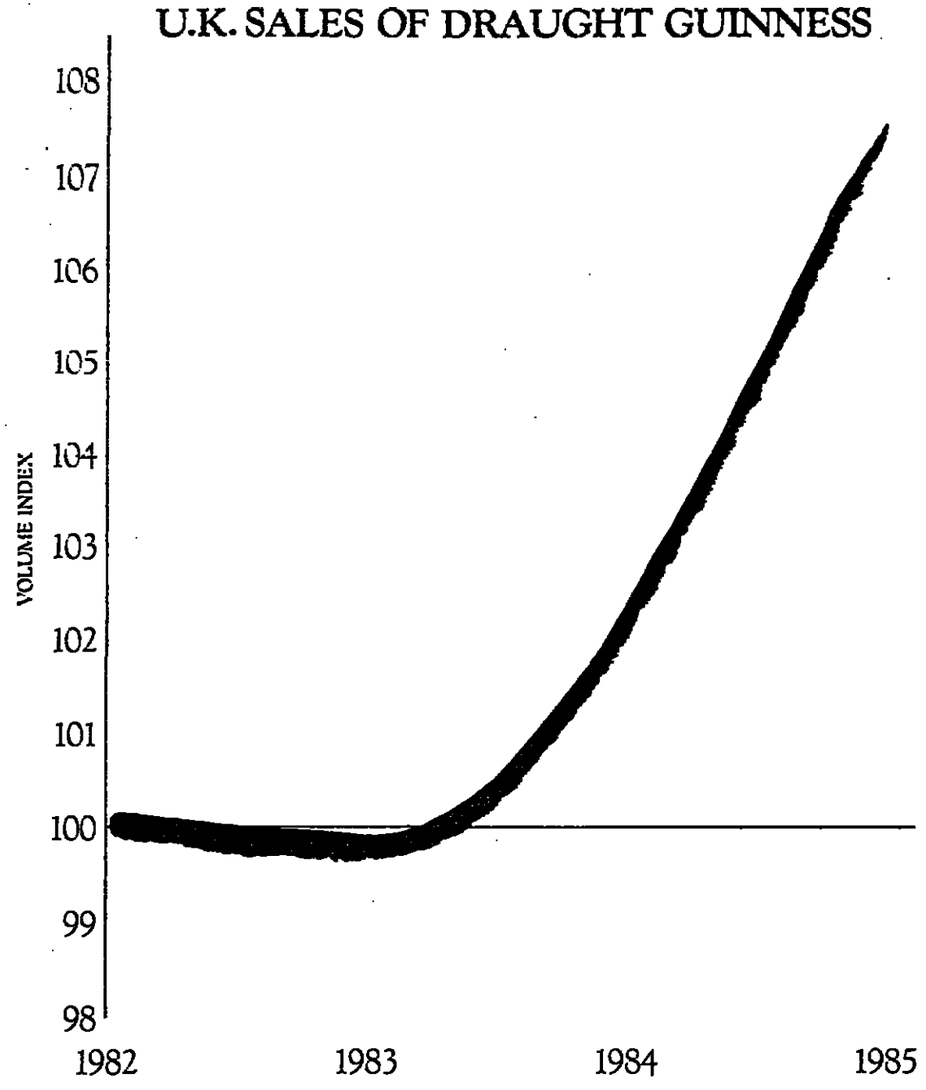
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COMPUTER HORIZONS

BT maintains its grip on Britain's IT market

British Telecom last week took one more step in consolidating its position as the dominant force in the UK information technology market. In the face of a recommendation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission that the proposed takeover of Mitel be stopped the corporation snatched victory.

The government, determined to build BT into a multinational giant with manufacturing and operational skills that can compete with the Japanese and the Americans in the information technology market anywhere in the world, disregarded the MMC recommendations.

The government justification appears weak. It read: "In reaching this conclusion, the Secretary of State took into account the unanimous conclusion of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission that the proposed acquisition may be expected to operate against the public interest. In accordance with the majority view of the commission, the Secretary of State considers that the adverse effects on competition in the UK should be sufficiently reduced if constraints were placed on BT's ability to acquire telecommunications apparatus from Mitel".

What those constraints and controls will be is not clear. The Government, as it has many times in the past three years, has refused to address the real question. Can the British IT industry — both telecommunications and computers — be expected to thrive and expand in the face of a dominating BT?

THE WEEK

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

The Government justification continued: "The Secretary of State has decided that the proposed merger could proceed, subject to conditions similar to those proposed by the MMC. He has, however, concluded that competition in the UK market for telecommunications equipment would be sufficiently protected by imposing a ceiling on Mitel's marketing to and through BT rather than imposing a complete prohibition on such marketing".

"He is, therefore, asking the Director General of Fair Trading to seek undertakings from British Telecom on these lines to remedy the adverse effects from the proposed merger indentified in the MMC report".

Instead of making a determined judgement itself, the Government has left it to the Office of Fair Trading to try and reach an accomodation with a corporation which is bent on dominating the UK IT sector. It took a similar approach to the control of British Telecom in its network operations by creating an Oftel on a model of the Office of Fair Trading. The director general of the telecommunications watchdog has been devoting much of his energies in trying to come to "accommodations" with British Telecom and would clearly like to have more powers to thwart the ambitions of the corporation.

The Government's decision in yet another monument to the lack of industrial policy. That lacking is particularly evident in the IT sector where the growing trade deficit, the lack of investment and the dearth of skills is putting British industry at the mercy of the Americans and the Japanese.

Are we to assume that BT will now manufacture everything that it needs whether it be paper clips or power lines? The answer is obviously no. Its function should be guardian of the national network. The government should tell it so.

The phone that is going places

By Frank Brown

Racal Vodafone's latest big customer for its cellular radio service looks set to make the mobile telephone a powerful source of instant information, as well as a handy means of communication.

ICL, Britain's major computer company, has linked its nationwide internal telecommunications network — the largest of its kind in the UK — to the Vodafone service.

Believed to be the first such link in Europe, it provides Vodafone users with dial-up access to ICL's 20,000 telephone extensions and vice versa, and can handle 30 calls simultaneously between the two networks.

The arrangement means that senior managers and key sales personnel of ICL and its parent company STC, will be able to use their mobile telephones in exactly the same way as office phones.

The link is particularly significant because ICL's network handles data as well as voice traffic and provides access to message and information handling facilites such as electronic mail and telex.

ICL's cellular radio users can have calls automatically diverted from the office to their mobile phone and can rapidly access key extensions and data/message services within the ICL network using three-digit dialling codes.

There are also long-term effects on its private wire. For example, the company is looking at the possibility of allowing users of its value-added networks (Vans) to access their databases via its internal network without having to go to their office or to a terminal.

One such Van is Tradernet, which ICL operates for the Article Numbering Association, to which most major companies and supermarket chains belong.

The extension of the Vodafone private wire link to Tradernet would obviously increase its versatility, in terms of placing orders from bread vans and milk floats and sending information to and from delivery trucks.

Illustration: Stephen Johnson



Keeping an eye on the ball

By Richard Pawson

Imagine you could see what the batsman sees when he faces a fast bowler in the test match, or have a goalie's-eye view of a penalty kick in the last moments of a Cup Final. These are just two experiences made possible by Skycam — a computer-controlled television camera developed in the US.

Instead of being fixed in one location, Skycam allows the camera to be positioned anywhere over the field of play. The camera is suspended on wires from the four corners of the stadium and each wire passes over a remotely-controlled winch. The operator initiates the movement via two joysticks on the control panel in the commentary box. The joystick inputs are translated into rotation speeds for each of the four cable winches.

The first prototype was actually constructed around an Osborne 1 portable microcomputer, but later versions employed a Motorola 68000-based computer to improve the speed. The control software is written in Forth, a programming language.

Each motor winch has its own intelligent control board and instructions are communicated via a link equivalent to a local area network in a large office. A miniature microwave link communicates with the camera — since the steel cables are already used to deliver a trickle charge to the mobile systems' batteries.

Moving the camera at high speed and then rotating it to any viewing angle would ordinarily generate tremendous instability problems. Here the inventor, Garrett Brown, applied the technology from one of his previous brainchilds — Steadicam.

Used in such films as *Return of the Jedi*, Steadicam is a gyroscopically-controlled harness that enables the cameraman to walk or run while still providing a steady picture.

Skycam is still very much a prototype system and has not gone into mass production. Planned future developments include an obstacle avoidance routine that employs artificial intelligence

Skycam has, however, already been successfully used to televise several American football games — baseball and basketball will be tried in the near future. There is no denying the quality of this form of American sports coverage. Let us hope that Skycam is an innovation that British television will not be slow to adopt.

Superficial response to decline in skills

Reports from the Government on the shortage of skills in information technology were superficial and hurried, according to Professor John Ashworth, vice-chancellor of the University of Salford. Speaking at a lecture last week, Professor Ashworth, who is also chairman of the IT Economic Development committee with NEDO, said the Government's response was inadequate in terms of the amount of money needed to halt the decline and the quality of the solution offered.

Russian service

The Soviet news agency Tass has signed an agreement to sell its English language news service to the West by making it available through desktop computers. Announcing the agreement with the British company Datasolve, Tass said it would give the world greater access to first-hand news of the Soviet Union and be commercially profitable.

AT&T factory

The American communications giant AT&T is planning to open a British factory within two years in a joint venture with Philips. The factory will initially manufacture communications transmission gear and is expected to provide about 350 jobs. AT&T recently announced it would abandon its Net 1000 communications network due to poor sales.

Systime sell-off

The troubled minicomputer company Systime has sold a large part of its business to Digital Equipment. As part of the deal DEC will drop a £5 million suit which alleges that Systime copied its computer equipment. DEC is to take over Systime's customers services for its D-series computers.

Meet the new boss face to face

By Richard Sarson

The UK's first Computing Recruitment Fair is planned to take place on April 18 and 19 at the Novotel Hotel in Hammersmith. Thirty firms with jobs to fill will have booths for job hunters in the computing field to go to and apply on the spot.

The benefits of this approach say the organisers, Intro UK, include cutting down the lengthy recruitment cycle so that candidates can have instant interviews. All the ardous work involved in filling out application forms and curricula vitae is removed as is the usual lengthy wait for answers.

JOB SCENE

The idea for these job fairs started in Norway a few years ago and spread to Sweden and Holland. If all goes well the organisers of the UK fair expect to host two more in London, in Septemeber and December, and introduce it to the regions next year.

Nearly 1,000 job seekers turned up to the last Dutch fair with one software house hiring eight staff and Shell Nederland describing 100 candidates as of "definite interest" to them. Eighty per cent of the exhibitors rebooked for later fairs.

Stands at the fair have to be the same size and each costs £3,750. The organizers say firms are signing up fast and include a mixture of manufacturers, software houses and large computer users — mainly banks and insurance companies. Head hunters and other personnel agencies cannot take part.

One particular class of job hunter who may well benefit from the concept of job-fairs is the over 40's, whose applications are frequently consigned to the waste-paper basket by most personnel managers. Now, at least, they can confront them directly.

Perhaps the major snag is what would happen to the person who finds their boss — or a subordinate — in the same booth.

Silicon take-off near Heathrow

By Richard Sarson

Silicon Valley in California, Silicon Glen on the Clyde, Silicon Fen in Cambridge and Sunrise Valley on the Thames will shortly have a rival, on a 60-year-old rubbish dump near Heathrow.

Stockley Park will become a new business park for high technology companies, a joint venture between property company, Stockley Group, the London Borough of Hillingdon and the University of Superannuation Scheme.

The first of the office buildings, which will finally cover 100 acres of the 350 acre site, are due to be ready in the spring. Trees 50 feet high have been shipped from

The developers promise to provide shops, restaurants, conference halls and banks. Tennis and squash courts, a gym and swimming pool will look out on to one of the several lakes. And, the cliffs of rubbish, in some places 30 feet high, are being carved into an 18-hole golf course.

From the course, you have a panoramic view of Sunrise Valley: to the east, IBM and Honeywell's Brentford blocks; to the south, Thorn-EMI; to the south-west, Sperry and ICL in Bracknell; and to the west, Rank Xerox and the myriad small software companies in Slough, Maidenhead and Windsor.

Because the new M4 to M25 link is only one mile away, tenants will be able to reach these hives of electronic activity in half an hour. British Rail may even build a station between Hayes and West Drayton. A satellite dish and 2,000 exchange lines will be installed, while the office buildings will be wired with optical fibre and cables.

The developers invited 450 of the world's major computer companies to the introductory symposium before Christmas. Seventy per cent of those likely to take office space are reportedly American, 15 per cent from the Far East and only 15 per cent British or European.

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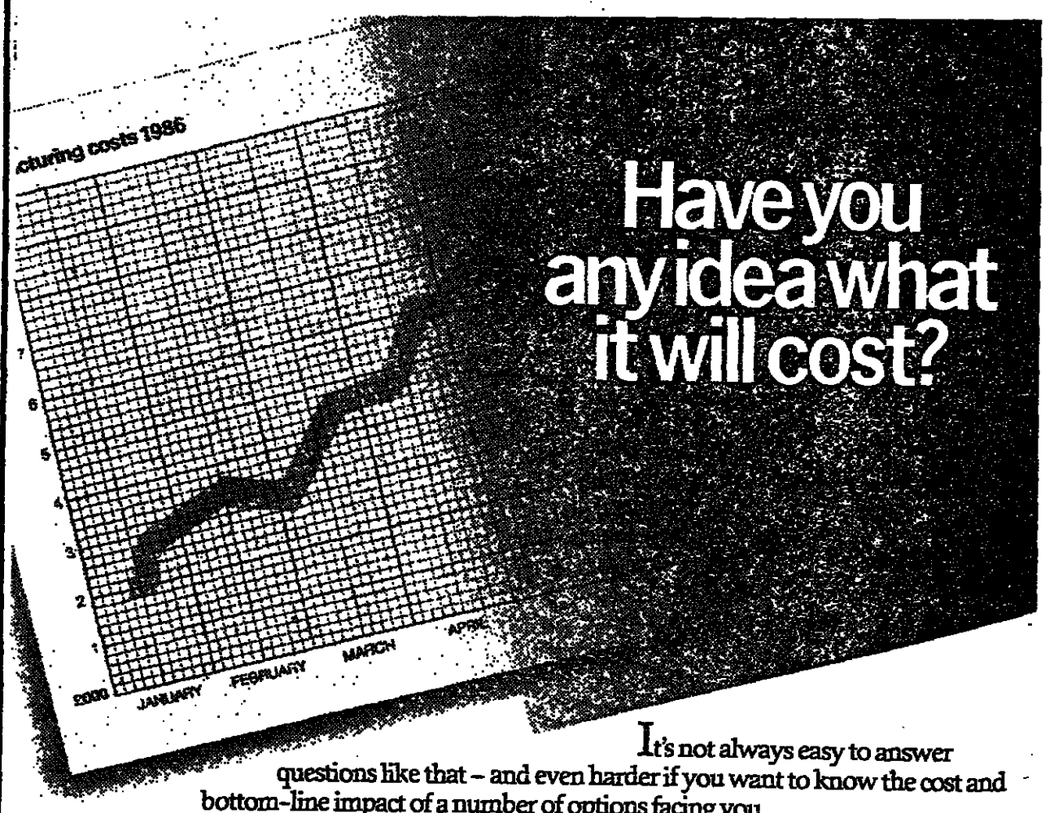
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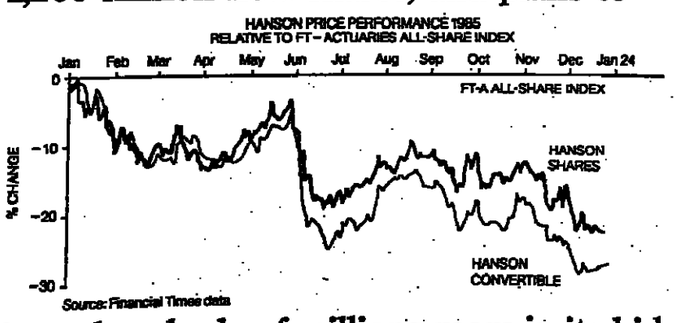
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Full ahead to the big shows

The building of the National Exhibition Centre could be likened to a plan to launch a new ship into the teeth of a hurricane.

It faced strenuous opposition from a pro-London lobby and began operating a decade ago at a time of high inflation, political uncertainty and industrial decline, with a ferocious recession looming.

Few people were inclined to take kindly to a largely council-funded project that was to require a capital investment of £50 million, located on a greenfield site outside Birmingham, 100 miles from the exhibition centres of London, if its chances of success seemed remote even before it started.

There were those who would happily have seen the NEC strangled at birth. Against that background the centre had to fight for its first business and try to carve out a living — and a reputation — in the highly competitive world of British and European exhibitions.

Ten years on, the NEC is making money and has established itself as the country's largest exhibition location, at 105,000 square metres twice the size of London's Earl's Court — its nearest UK rival — and the tenth largest in western Europe.

A master plan has been evolved to double its size by the year 2004 to take it further up the European league and put it in contention to stage some of the blockbuster European exhibitions which bring prestige and vital foreign earnings and recognition, although it will still be a long way behind the massive 471,000 square metres on offer in Hanover.

In 1984-85, from an income of £25 million, the centre made a record trading surplus of about £9.3 million and, after operating costs and debt charges had been paid, contributed £3 million to Birmingham's rate fund, repaying the early faith shown in the idea of a national exhibition complex by leaders of the then Birmingham Corporation and chamber of commerce and industry, which fought for a local site as long ago as 1969.

Those financial results were achieved in a peak year in what is considered a four-year cycle of exhibition business at the NEC. In 1985-86 the total income is expected to be £22 million, the repayment of debts £6.5 million and the contribution to the rate fund £1.2 million.

Behind the NEC's record is the multi-purpose range of facilities available in its nine halls and elsewhere on site, its location on the motorway network and alongside an international airport and railway station and a winning mix of events. They include trade and public exhibitions and shows, conventions, product launches, concerts and sports events.

It attracts millions of visitors a year

Each year it attracts three million visitors and the spin-off to the deeply depressed local economy is estimated at £60 million a year.

All but £1.5 million of the £50 million capital invested in the NEC on its site on the eastern outskirts of Birmingham was raised by Birmingham City Council.

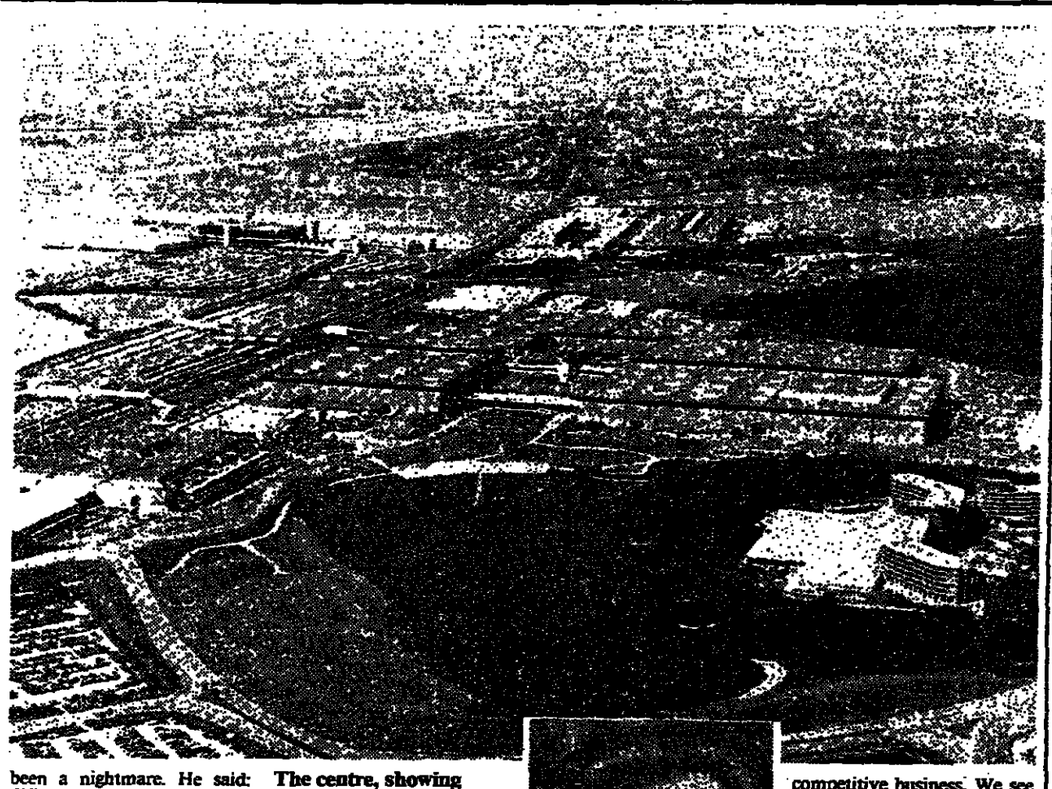
The NEC Company that sprang from the early partnership between civic and business leaders now manages and promotes the centre.

Terry Golding, the chief executive, realizes that the first decade could easily have been a nightmare. He said: "Who would have chosen to open when we did, at a time of hyper inflation, just before the big recession and on farm land in the middle of nowhere?

"I think we have answered all the dismal jonas who said it would not work by establishing a good, profitable and sound business with enormous potential for the future."

Mr Golding, who did the same job at Earl's Court and Olympia before he joined the NEC eight years ago, added: "It has been a resounding success. We have settled into a regular calendar of regular events and our consultants believe that given relatively modest growth in the economy, we will be required to double in size to meet demand at peak times in the future."

Probably the most successful event at the NEC is the British International Motor Show. The centre signed a 10-year deal to stage the crowd-pulling show every two years and it will be held again this year and in 1988. Negotiations are expected to start within the next few months for the prestige event to continue at the NEC.



The centre, showing its large, lakeside site; inset, Terry Golding, chief executive of the NEC: "We have answered all those who said it would not work"

Mr Golding said that when the show was held in London average attendances were about 400,000, with a record of 660,000 in its best year. It is now combined with commercial vehicles at the NEC where the attendance has averaged 750,000. He said: "That is a supreme example of something which has worked well for us and for the customer."

The NEC has established a calendar of 98 exhibitions, including the nine biggest international trade fairs in Britain, and each year it holds about 45 trade and 10 public exhibitions, more than



£1 million profit is made from pop and other concerts in its acoustically treated Arena Hall, sporting events, product launches and even bird and dog shows.

Successful exhibitions at the NEC include those for the gifts and hardware retail trade, machine tools, printing machinery, building and construction, plastics, packaging and construction equipment.

International recognition is crucial and in 1984 about 2,700 of the 12,800 companies exhibiting at the NEC were from overseas, creating an estimated £15 million worth of invisible earnings for Britain.

Nevertheless, there are periods of inactivity in the exhibition calendar so the

NEC must now look to Europe

NEC has its own exhibition and events division, an entrepreneurial arm consisting of a team of organizers whose job is to identify new areas of business and pioneer new shows. The 10 that have been developed now contribute about 8.5 per cent of the centre's gross income.

Other exhibition centres in the country are also intent on new ideas and new shows. Mr Golding said: "It is a very competitive business. We see Earl's Court, Olympia and places like Harrogate and Manchester as breeding grounds for the NEC. If smaller shows are successful elsewhere, they look for larger venues and we have the space to house them."

Future success, though, demands that the NEC looks to the European scene. At the moment it does not have the space to compete for the blockbusters that fill European exhibition halls, such as ITMA, the international textile-machinery exhibition and EMO, the international machine-tool event.

That is why the master plan to double in size by the turn of the century is vital, but the scheme to expand to such a degree north of the centre is bogged down, temporarily Mr Golding believes, because West Midlands County Council has its own plan to build a high-technology industrial park.

Should the council get its way, it would frustrate plans for additional car parking space and hotel accommodation which are an integral part of the planned future growth.

There are other exciting prospects ahead for the next few years, in particular Birmingham's bid to stage the 1992 Olympic Games, which is no longer regarded as unrealistically optimistic. Birmingham's success in sweeping aside rival bids from London and Manchester was achieved largely because of the facilities available at the NEC for staging many Olympic indoor events and its proposal for an Olympic Village and a 70,000-seat Olympic Stadium on site, all within a secure perimiter fence.

The International Olympic Committee will decide on October which of the international bids for the 1992 Games will succeed. Mr Golding commented: "The Olympic Games — now that would be a feather in our cap."

The ace card is access

The greatest obstacle that appeared to confront the NEC in its planning stage was the proposed location — a greenfield site on the eastern rim of Birmingham, Britain's second city, 100 miles from the crowd-pulling attractions of London that were a magnet for exhibitors and their customers.

Ten years on that location is now overwhelmingly regarded as a great advantage and the centre's marketing officials promote "ease of access" for all its worth.

On one day during the Motor Show at the NEC, 120,000 visitors poured into its massive halls. The car parks were jammed with 15,000 cars, 1,000 exhibitor's vehicles and 800 coaches. Inter-city trains deposited countless thousands of passengers at the modern railway station adjacent to the complex. That was a record day.

Apparently the executives who operate the even larger exhibition centre at Dusseldorf now describe the NEC as "the centre of the short walk", not simply for its location alongside Birmingham International Airport and the main-line rail station, but also because its huge exhibition halls are inter-linked.

The NEC is only a stone's throw from the M6 and M42 and is at the heart of the motorway system. An estimated 28 million people live within 100 miles of the complex, which covers 400 acres.

Of the nine "halls", two are promoted for purposes other than simple exhibition space.

Hall 7 is better known as Birmingham International Arena. It has a clear span interior and tiered seating for 12,000 spectators. Neil Diamond, Diana Ross and other superstars of the pop world have played to packed audiences there, while British Telecom, at its first annual general meeting since privatization, entertained a more modest gathering of 4,000 shareholders.

A £250,000 demountable ice rink has now been commissioned and its first expected use will be by Torvill and Dean during SportAid, a Bob Geldof-style event to help famine victims in Africa, scheduled for May.

Hall 8, known as the Forum, is a 4,000 square metre "black box" facility from which natural light is excluded in order to appeal to the organisers of private, corporate presentations and ritzy product launches.

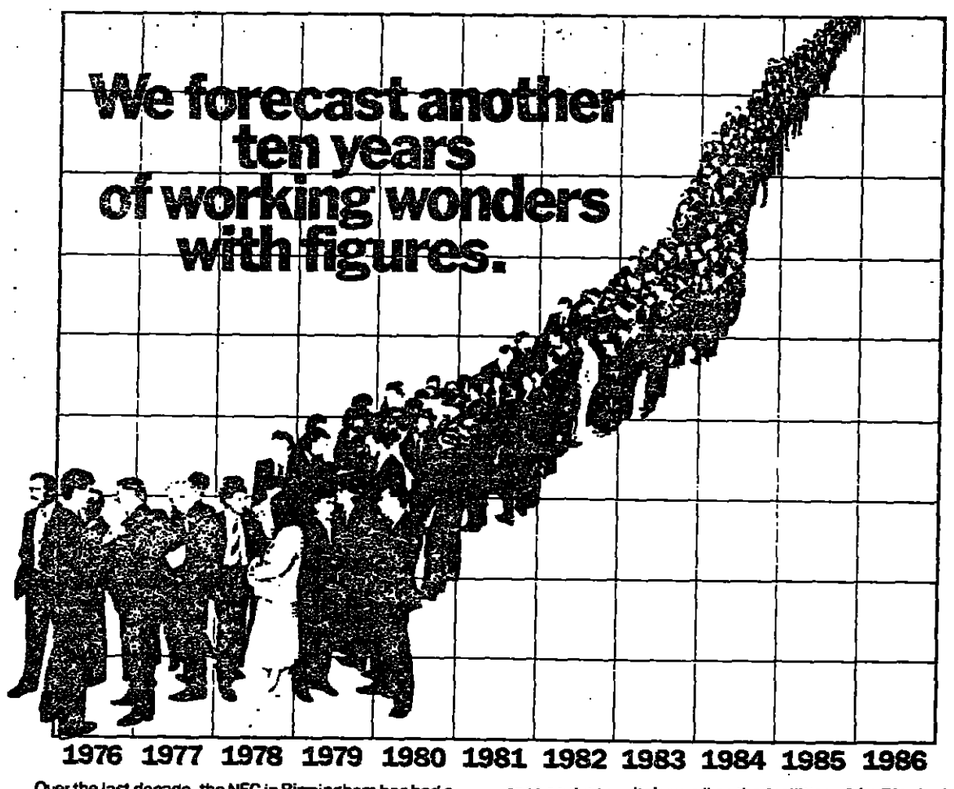
The NEC has two on-site hotels, the Birmingham Metropole and Warwick, offering 700 rooms. The Metropole has a conference centre for 1,200 delegates and 1,000 banqueting guests with 34 meeting rooms and a 200-seat cinema.

John Cole, the NEC's marketing manager, said: "Accessibility is really our ace card, an almost unique amalgam of road, rail and air facilities in a central position."

At the recent Interplas Exhibition, an international plastics show, 26 per cent of the visitors arrived from 103 overseas countries. The airport is linked to the railway station and the NEC complex by the revolutionary Maglev "hover train" passenger transit system.

The new £60 million terminal at the airport was opened in 1984 — an improvement which was largely attributed to the increasing business at the NEC.

Scheduled "business" destinations from Birmingham now include Amsterdam, Brussels, Copenhagen, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, Hanover, Munich, Paris, Geneva, Milan and Zurich and all major British airports. Air France is now operating a daily Paris service, Netherlines flies to Amsterdam and Lufthansa starts services from next month. The Birmingham International railway station has 80 minute services linked to London and connects with Birmingham city in less than 20 minutes.



Over the last decade, the NEC in Birmingham has had a magical effect on the growth of exhibitions and events, large and small. Giants like the British International Motor Show, boasting a record year in 1984, Interbuild (Britain's largest single trade event), the International Spring Fair (occupying every inch of hall space) and IPEX (a European leader in print and graphic design) have all expanded and prospered. And it's not only the big shows. Since they came to us, high-tech exhibitions such as Which Computer?, Design Engineering and Electrex have seen higher attendances every year.

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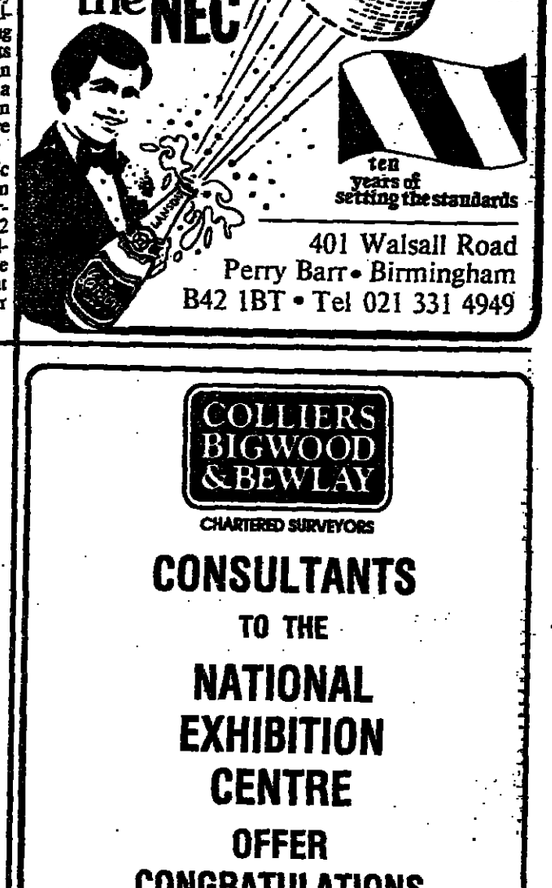
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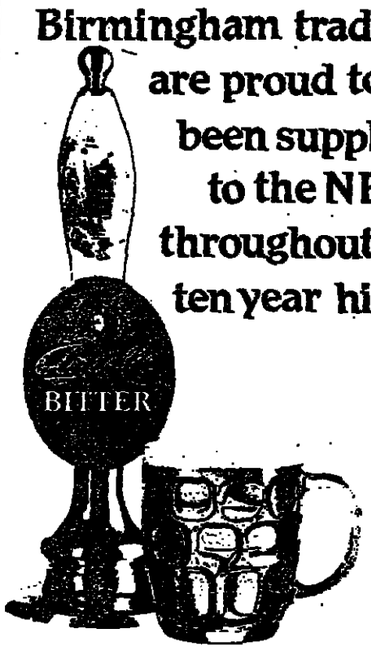
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Double in size is the target

Ten years after it opened, the National Exhibition Centre is estimated to have carved out a £71m share, about 37 per cent, of the £19m a year spent by British industry on trade shows and exhibitions.

It has been traditional for British industry to spend a much smaller proportion of its promotional budgets on exhibitions than western European industrialists. Before the NEC opened, it was as little as 3 per cent, but that has risen to a more respectable 8 per cent in the last few years.

In spite of the increasing use of exhibitions over the last decade in the UK, it still lags a long way behind countries like West Germany where it was estimated that up to a quarter of promotional budgets went into exhibitions.

The European industrialists' commitment to exhibitions and trade shows as a successful form of marketing their wares created the demand for the huge exhibition facilities which now exist on the continent in cities such as Cologne, Frankfurt, Paris and Milan, all which boast over 200,000 square metres and, Hanover, with its mammoth 471,000 square metres, compared with the 105,000 square metres available at the NEC.

Although the NEC is the largest exhibition centre in the UK - twice the size of its nearest rival - the fact that it lies tenth in the European table makes it essential that it should carry through plans to double in size by the end of the century and be in a position to compete for some of the giant international exhibitions which do the rounds of continental cities.

Sandy Angus, the chairman of the Association of Exhibition Organizers, pays due tribute to the NEC, saying that no one can compete with it in Britain for major international shows. But he concedes that the Europeans have a number of considerable advantages.

He said: "Britain is less well-equipped than Europe simply because we cannot build regionally the sizes of venues which the Europeans seem able to do with the kind of subsidies they get from local authorities, their governments and the EEC.

"In the UK we are probably the least subsidized industry in the world and that is why our prices for stand space and hire of halls are among the highest in the world—certainly twice as expensive as our major European competitors and probably three or four times more expensive than America."

Mr Angus said that although the cost of space was a small proportion of the total money a company spent on exhibiting, it was unfortunately the emotive figure on which crucial decisions were frequently taken.

He estimated that the exhibition industry was worth well over £500m annually, including the amount spent by visitors, and he was convinced that the NEC had been a shot in the arm. He was convinced the Brimingham based centre was the best in Europe, with the possible exception of Dusseldorf and, the only true international centre in Britain apart from the smaller Earl's Court and Olympia.

According to the Association of Exhibition Organizers, over 700 exhibitions are held annually in the UK The number of full and part-time jobs created by exhibitions in the UK is estimated at about 16,000, although many more are indirectly supported.

The organization estimates that for every £1 spent in connection with an exhibition, an additional £9 is spent in hotels, restaurants and on transport and other services

Exhibition organizers are in direct competition with other forms of marketing, promotion and advertising,

Executives at the NEC say that according to market research carried out by Exhibition Surveys, an exhibitor would have faced average costs of £26 for each useful contact at a trade show in Britain in 1984—taking acount of all direct costs such as staff salaries, hotel and travel bills

That compared favourably, they said, with the estimated £50 cost of individual industrial sales calls.

According to Mr Angus and his association, exhibitions were increasingly becoming recognized as a vital and successful form of marketing and promotion.

That was the importance of success stories such as that at the NEC. He said: "There is no one to compete with the centre in Britain in terms of major international shows. It has enabled this country to run exhibitons of size and to compete with our European competitors."



NEC people – Top left: Kenneth Baker (left), security manager, with Kenneth Stacey, the traffic inspector. Right: Andrew Frayne with head chef Paul Gould. Above: Terry Golding (front centre) with fellow executives at the exhibition centre in Birmingham

Direct competition with marketing

The flagship of the city

Birmingham has suffered the hammer blows of the recession, but Tom Caulcott, the city's ebullient chief executive, believes in shouting about its brash, go-getting image and says the NEC is an example of what that approach can achieve.

He said of the centre: "It is one of the flagships of the city. It has put us on the map. It shows we are a lively, go-ahead place that can turn projects that people said would never work into roaring successes.

"It provides a shop window for the area, boosting industry, and it has created many jobs directly and indirectly. It is making money for the city and for the region, yet I remember that people said it would never work, that it was going to be a white elephant."

Recent research, in fact, suggests that the economic "spin-off" to the region from activities at the NEC is now well over £60m a year, compared with less than £50m in 1976-77, based on the amount estimated to be spent in an average year by exhibition visitors, exhibitors and non-local contractors staff.

NEC FACTFILE

Size: 9 halls, 105,000 square metres
Planned growth: 200,000 square metres
Capital Investment: £50m
Total income 1984-85: £25m
Trading surplus: £9.3m
Net profit 1984-85: £3m
Visitors: 3m annually
Value to region: £60m annually
Permanent staff: 350
Local jobs supported: 2,600
On-site hotel rooms:700
Parking: 15,000

A report by ECOTEC Research and Consulting Ltd., also calculated that 2,634 jobs were directly supported by the NEC, which themselves indirectly supported a further 1,288 jobs in local service industries, such as hotels and catering.

The ECOTEC report said: "The NEC has made an important contribution to improving the image and reputation of Birmingham. It has provided an impetus for the major improvement and expansion to Birmingham International Airport and it has enhanced the conference market elsewhere within the West Midlands.

Recent estimates also suggest that an additional 600 jobs could be created during the next five years as the NEC puts in hand the first stages of its plan to double in size by the end of the century.

Mr Caulcott said that the success of the NEC had also played a significant part in the decision to build a new convention centre, a £106m city centre complex of halls and a five-star hotel, which would be financed in part by borrowing against the "asset" of the exhibition centre.

The convention centre is expected to take about four years to complete and could provide up to 2,000 new jobs and bring an additional £40m a year into the local economy. The two centres, he said, would be closely linked and complement each other's activities.

The collapse of industry in the West Midlands and the huge unemployment that followed has led Birmingham and the surrounding area increasingly into the service sector - the NEC and the proposed convention centre are proof of that. The massive number of visitors to the NEC - about three million a year - has boosted plans for a new British Caledonian Hotel in the city centre, a new hotel at the airport and hotel developments in and around Solihull.

Frank Graves, the President of Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, said: "The NEC generates enormous business in hotels, restaurants and shops in the area. I know of one men's outfitters whose owner stocks up with shirts every time there is a big exhibition because foreign visitors, particularly the Germans, clear his shelves when they come to town. That is good business."

It is not surprising, considering his background, that Mr Graves says the NEC has been a "gigantic success". He was its project controller before it was built and is project controller both for the centre's planned expansion and of Birmingham's proposed convention centre.

Filling gaps in the calendar

Derek Lyons is in show business. For, as director of the the exhibition and events division of the National Exhibition Centre, he heads a 25-strong team which has the job of pioneering new shows to help fill gaps in the NEC business calendar.

Mr Lyons said: "The NEC decided that it would be sensible to fill some of the voids which occur in our calendar rather than be entirely dependent on independent promoters and, I must say, with 10 new exhibitions on our desks, we have made rapid and substantial progress.

His team talks to potential exhibitors and authoritative bodies in the trade or industry concerned, checks with the trade press and researches potential customers to see if there is a gap in the market that can be filled at the NEC.

He said:"A new idea is either going to be a total disaster or take root. We really do not expect to reap a great reward the first time, but some of our exhibitions are coming around for the second or third time. I think the breakthrough has been achieved."

Before the formation of the division in 1983 – when Mr Lyons joined the NEC – there had been an events department largely responsible for servicing the needs of independent promotors for events such as concerts, conventions, industrial theatre and sporting occasions – vital elements in the NECs success but not entrepreneurial in the sense that new business was conceived.

Mr Lyons said that many important exhibitions that had been successfully placed in the NEC calendar. The International Safety Exhibition, sponsored by the RSPCA, had become the definitive show for the UK. Its next presentation was likely to be 120 per cent larger than the last event in 1985.

Autotech, an international automotive technology exhibition staged in October, had been created out of an approach to the NEC by the automobile division of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, which held a congress at the same time. That exhibition would now be alternated with the Motor Show, staged every other year.

A marketing and promotion services exhibition had also been held, a Midlands manufacturer's clothing and fashion fair would start next February and an August fair for collectors of antiques and memorabilia starts this year. But, Mr Lyons said: "We do not necessarily seek shows which will be enormous on their first outing. We also hold small specialist events. It is a popular misconception that you can hold only large exhibitions at the NEC. We have had successful exhibitions of only 1,500 square metres compared with something like Interbuild, which occupies about 55,000 square metres."

The NEC is also following a European trend and an increasing number of exhibitions are now associated with conferences and seminars that are part of the overall programme.

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FOOTBALL

Reforms being planned in West German league

Bonn (Reuter) - Plans for a major reform of the West German League, including a cut from 18 to 16 teams, were announced yesterday by Hermann Neuberger, the president of the West German Football Federation (DFB).

Neuberger gave details of the plans in Vietri sul Mare, where the national team is training for the friendly international with Italy in Avellino tomorrow.

Neuberger's reforms also include an extension of the mid-winter break from six weeks to three months, more summer soccer and a national indoor championship.

He said the first division could be reduced to 16 clubs by the 1987-88 season and the second division cut from 20 teams, also to 16, at the same time.

He said the eight present regional leagues, mostly of 18 clubs, would be reduced to four leagues each of 16 teams.

The reforms have to be approved by the clubs at their annual congress in Bremen in October.

In the past, clubs have voted against any attempt to cut the number of teams in the league.but Neuberger expressed his determination to get reforms through this time.

"If the professional clubs remain unreasonable, we must take counter-action if need be," he said.

Attendances in the league have been falling steadily for several years, dropping from a peak of 7,900,000 in 1977-78 to 5,800,000 last season.

Last month, trainers of first division clubs called for a winter breakfrom the end of November to the beginning of March and more football in the summer months, arguing that wintry weather was a major factor in low attendances.

The season usually ends early in June and resumes in mid-August. Neuberger said he still favoured a summer break because many fans were on holiday but thought it should be a much shorter pause.

Neuberger's reported plans were immediately welcomed by the country's two biggest clubs, Bayern Munich and Hamburg. But the first division side Bochum expressed disquiet, saying they would lose revenue from two home matches if the league was cut.

The league leaders Werder Bremen underlined their title potential when they broke a long jinx to dispose of northern rivals Hamburg 1-0 on Sunday.

It was the first time for 10 years they had beaten Hamburg, whose defeat has almost certainly ended their championship hopes this season.

Veteran Manfred Burgsmueller clinched the points for the visitors to stun the 55,000 crowd in the 56th minute.

Bayern Munich stay in second place, four points behind the leaders, after winning 5-0 at Hanover in front of 60,000 people.

●FRANKFURT (Reuter) - Hungary may step in to replace Brazil in a friendly international with West Germany in Frankfurt on March 12, the national soccer federation announced yesterday.

Francis at Birmingham

Trevor Francis, a former favourite with the Birmingham City crowd, is set to return to St Andrew's at the end of the season.

Britain's first £1 million transfer player plans to play in a testimonial game for Birmingham's injured former captain, Kevan Broadhurst, early in May.

The news comes a week after Birmingham's new manager, John Bond, made it clear that he wanted to sign Francis from the Italian club, Sampdoria, to ease his side's relegation worries.

Francis is expected to line up alongside other former Birmingham favourites, such as Colin Todd and Frank Worthington, in the game, which is scheduled for May 5.

● Manchester United confirmed yesterday that Norman Whiteside is to serve a suspension for the first time in his playing career.

Whiteside's booking in the 2-1 defeat at West Ham United on Sunday took him past 21 penalty points and brought him an automatic two-match ban. The suspension will start after United's F A Cup fifth round tie, at Ipswich or West Ham, on February 15.

Whiteside, the 20-year-old Northern Ireland international, said: "I'm glad the waiting is over. Some people have been waiting for me to be suspended, but I am not a dirty player. I have never deliberately tried to injure anyone."

There was good news for United yesterday when Paul McGrath, their Republic of Ireland central defender, agreed to sign a new four-year contract.



Nigel Spink: under treatment

Cup success is the key for Ipswich

Ipswich, conquerors of Liverpool last Saturday, take on West Ham in an FA Cup fourth round replay at Portman Road tonight spurred on by the knowledge that victory will earn them a lucrative fifth round tie against Manchester United, the holders.

Bobby Ferguson, the Ipswich manager, said: "The players have done tremendously well and have given the club a shot in the arm, but it is still going to be a a battle against West Ham that may go into extra-time.

"I am confident we can win as long as the players apply themselves in the same way as they did against West Ham in the first match at Upton Park 10 days ago."

From a financial point of view, tonight's game is vital for the Suffolk club. Ipswich expect a crowd of 25,000 for the visit of West Ham and victory would set up a 30,000 turn-out for a meeting with Manchester United.

Ipswich will select from 13 players.Michael Cole, a teenaged forward, impressed when he came on for the final 39 minutes in place of Frank Yallop against Liverpool. Injury doubts concerning Ian Cranson (knee) and Mark Brennan (ankle) have cleared up as Ipswich prepare for their biggest gate since last April, when 24,484 watched the goalless league game against Liverpool.

Aston Villa have injury problems for tonight's Milk Cup quarter-final replay against Arsenal at Highbury. Villa's goalkeeper, Nigel Spink, who missed Saturday's game with Southampton at Villa Park, is receiving treatment for a damaged shoulder and the midfield player Darren Bradley is also doubtful.

Dean Glover is expected to play but will need strapping to protect a broken bone in his hand. Paul Birch and Mark Walters, however, are both fighting to overcome injuries.

Graham Turner,the Villa manager, will delay selection of his team until later today, but may be forced to risk playing the full back Gary Williams, who is to see a specialist about a troublesome foot injury.

BOXING

Hope and Conteh plead with Bruno

John Conteh and Maurice Hope, both former world boxing champions, have appealed to Frank Bruno to call off his proposed fight with Gerrie Coetzee, the South African heavyweight, at Wembley Arena on March 4.

In a joint telemessage to Bruno, Conteh and Hope say: "As two black Britons who have held World Boxing Championship titles, we make an earnest appeal to you to call off the fight with Gerrie Coetzee of apartheid South Africa. The only benefactor in this fight will be apartheid.

"There are other ways to get to the top and these are very noble ways without the scar of apartheid being attached to you. Please consider these.

"We would like to meet with you personally to explain our position. We hope you would accept. Your brothers, John Conteh, Maurice Hope."

Bruno is also being besieged from another quarter. Mr Richard Tracey, the Minister for Sport, has received a letter from the Black British Conference Against Apartheid Sport asking him to use his influence to get Bruno to call off the fight.

The letter, from Paul Stephenson, the BBCAAS chairman, points out that "the United Kingdom has now become South Africa's single most important sports collaborator."

The letter continues: "Further sports exchanges with South Africa will certainly influence the voting pattern for the choice of the site of the 1992 Summer Olympic Games, for which Birmingham is a candiate."

GOLF

Zoeller in command

Pebble Beach (AP) — Fuzzy Zoeller of the United States has a five-shot lead and a game-plan in mind going into the day-late finish of the AT&T Pebble Beach national pro-am.

"I whipped Pebble Beach once [a 66 in Saturday's round], and I'll go out there with the idea of whipping it again," he said.

Payne Stewart was alone in second going into Monday's final round for a $108,000 first prize.

Tom Watson, three strokes behind Zoeller when the third round began, returned an erratic 73 at Pebble Beach and fell six off the pace at 211.

LEADING SCORES: 205: F Zoeller, 69-66-70. 210: P Stewart, 71-69-70. 211: M Wiebe, 70-69-72. T Sills, 72-68-71. T Watson, 71-67-73.

British players: 218: S Lyle, 76-73-69. 222: P Oosterhuis, 74-73-75. 231: N Faldo, 79-74-78.

Wales exempt

Wales have earned exempt status alongside England and Scotland for the second Dunhill Cup golf tournament to be played on the Old Course at St Andrews on September 25-28. Last year Wales won the European qualifying zone final and went on to beat Spain at St Andrews before being eliminated in the semi-finals

CRICKET

England look better after Thomas toes the line

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, St Vincent

Entering the third day of their match here against the Windward Islands, England had bowled and fielded better than they had batted. This had enabled them to gain a first innings lead of 18, which they had increased to 64 by lunchtime yesterday for the loss of Gooch, Robinson and Lamb.

Edmonds, Thomas, Willey and Foster shared the wickets in the Islanders' first innings, and of these Thomas deserves a special mention.He had trouble with his run-up during the practices in Barbados, and of the 25 no-balls England bowled on Sunday he was responsible for 20. That was bad; but he appeared not to let it upset him, which was gratifying. In fact, after an unsettling first over, in which he was called three times and deserved a wicket, he bowled rather well. Fast bowlers who pick up even one wicket on a pitch as slow as this one have something to be thankful for, and Thomas took 3.

Willis, so often plagued with the same no-balling problem, has been working on Thomas, trying to get his run-up right, and there is still a lot to be done. But Thomas may take heart from John Snow's experience on the Australian tour of 1970-71 when in the first match he bowled no ball after no ball. Having made the necessary adjustments, Snow had a good tour. It is a matter, to some extent, of reaching an understanding with the umpires, whose interpretation of the no-ball varies from country to country. By the end of the Windwards' first innings winks and nods were passing between Thomas and the umpire, which suggested that things were being sorted out.

Nothing needs to be made of a slight tiff towards the end of the Windwards innings on Sunday between Thomas and Sebastien, an engaging cocksparrow from Dominico, which finished with each telling the other to mind his own business. If it mattered at all it was because it revealed a flash of Welsh fire. The last time we saw any of that out here was 18 years ago when Jeff Jones bowled so well. Thomas has a long way to go to become as good as Jones, but he has made a start. The return catch, taken as he followed through, which gave him his third wicket of the tour was a snorter.

There were two other brilliant catches by the Englishmen - one at first slip by Gatting, the other by Lamb, running back at mid-wicket. Of the 81 overs in the Windwards first innings, the spinners, Edmonds and Willey, bowled 51. The ball turned so slowly that they had to sweat for their wickets, but they shared six. When the time comes, these two may well be contesting the same Test place. The idea at the moment seems to be for Emburey to play anywhere, with Edmonds or Willey as his partner in spin.

Because they bowl effectively as a pair in the last year they have done so for England against India and Australia, as well as for Middlesex - and provide a contrast, if would be a pity to split them up; but Willey's batting will count in his favour. With a catch and a couple of neat stumpings, all off Edmonds, Downton has made a nice start.

There is no sign of the bad stutter that developed last winter in Edmond's approach to the wicket, and that must be a great relief to him. In a strange way, though, he may have been more accurate when he had it.

It has not taken long for the umpiring to look a little shaky, though one of those standing here - Barker that is - is likely to get a Test match or two. Such an early reminder of the problems there may be in this direction will be no bad thing if it reminds the players that the philosophical approach, the refusal to let wrong decisions knock the stuffing out of them, is the best one.

Thomas's fortunes on Sunday levelled out in the end. Having been denied an obvious wicket in his first over he was lucky to have an appeal upheld in his fifth. In a sense it is a lottery, but it helps not to become cynical about it.

Having played on at the start of England's first innings, Robinson was soon himself the victim of an umpire's whim at the start of the second yesterday morning, being given out leg-before to Collymore, bowling left-arm over the wicket. Robinson was aiming to play a leg-side ball to leg. When Gooch was caught and bowled off a ball that stopped, England were 23 for two and able to enjoy neither the sunshine nor the sparkling view. By lunch, taken at 46 for three, Lamb had also gone, leg-before, to the off spinner Hinds, and Smith had made 13 in 75 minutes, taking an anxious half-hour to avoid the disappointment of a pair.

ENGLAND: First innings
186 (M W Gatting, 77; D J Collymore, five for 34).

Second innings

G A Gooch c and b Collymore	10
R T Robinson lbw Collymore	7
D M Smith b Hinds	18
A J Lamb lbw b Hinds	6
M W Gatting b Ebanne	14
P Willey b Hinds	2
P R Downton c and b Ebanne	2
P H Edmonds c Lewis b Hinds	5
N A Foster c Lewis b Hinds	1
J G Thomas	0
Extras	8
Total (8 wkts)	73

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-23, 3-42, 4-61, 5-63, 6-65, 7-67, 8-73

WINDWARD ISLANDS: First innings

L D John lbw b Foster	15
L A Lewis c Downton b Edmonds	3
L C Sebastian c Robinson b Willey	28
R Marshall c Lamb b Willey	1
W Thomas c and b Thomas	9
J T Ebanne st Downton b Edmonds	4
I Cadette st Downton b Edmonds	17
J D Charles c Gatting b Thomas	30
S L Mahon lbw b Thomas	0
D J Collymore not out	31
S J Hinds c Taylor b Edmonds	1
Extras (b2, l-b4, nb25)	31
Total	166

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-39, 3-58, 4-105, 5-108, 6-114, 7-131, 8-138, 9-143.

BOWLING: Thomas, 16-4-54-3; Foster, 7-3-11-1; Edmonds, 25-5-38-4, Taylor, 7-1-17-0; Willey, 26-8-42-2.

Suspensions unlikely to hit ICC Trophy

By Richard Streeton

Any threat to cricket's "little world cup" in the Midlands next summer, arising from the possible absence of Bangladesh and Zimbabwe, has finally disappeared. The International Cricket Conference (ICC) have received no motion proposing the suspension of either country, following the political interference which prevented England's B team from visiting them.

The ICC have called for reports, however, from Bangladesh, Zimbabwe and England, on the events leading to the matches being cancelled. These reports will be discussed at the ICC's annual meeting on July 9 and 10, which means that the ICC trophy competition on Midlands club grounds in June, is unaffected.

"By the time of the ICC's meeting, some of the heat will have gone from the situation and everyone will be able to reflect and analyse calmly what is the appropriate action to take," Jack Bailey, the ICC secretary, said.

England's rejection of any tit-for-tat action is recognition that a country's cricket authorities cannot be held responsible for the action of their government.

Two days before the ICC meeting, the delegates, by an ironic twist, might be watching Bangladesh and Zimbabwe contesting the ICC trophy final, which, on July 7, is being played at Lord's for the first time. Zimbabwe, the 1982 winners, are favourites to retain the trophy and qualify to join the seven Test match playing countries in the 1987 World Cup in India and Pakistan.

Bangladesh lost to Zimbabwe in the 1982 semi-final round and are again expected to be among the leading contenders. The two sides meet in a group match at Moseley on June 11, the opening day. Argentina, who were absent four years ago because of the Falkland Islands crisis, and Denmark, who had financial problems, are back among the 18 associate members of the ICC taking part.

Prize fund increased

Prize money for England's longest-running sponsored cricket event, the John Player Special League, has been increased once more as the competition approaches its eighteenth season.

From a total fund of £73,450, the winners will receive a record £19,000, £2,000 more than was won by last season's champions, Essex.

The runners-up will win £9,500, against £8,500 last season, with the third placed county receiving £4,250 and the fourth team £2,500. Winners of each of the 136 matches will receive £275.

Since the John Player Special League began in 1969, cricket as a whole has benefitted by more than £3 million from the sponsorship.

The Test and County Cricket Board have decided that matches will revert to a 2 pm start, except for those being televised by the BBC, in which case the first ball will be bowled at 1.30 pm.

John Player Special League Prize Money:
Sponsorship fee, £400,536; winner, £19,000; runner-up, £9,500; third, £4,250; fourth; £2,500; winners each match (136 x £275), £37,400; most sixes, £400; most four wickets, £400.

Star winger nurses a World Cup dream, despite injury

WORLD FOOTBALL
Brian Glanville

Will England be facing Fernando Chalana, in Monterrey, when they meet Portugal in the World Cup? For the umpteenth time, the little Portuguese left winger — or better, left sider — a refulgent star of the 1984 European championship finals, is trying to come back, with Bordeaux.

He has discussed his prospects with José Torres, manager of the Portuguese team. "He has assured me," said Chalana, "if I play again at a high level for Bordeaux, he would count on me for Mexico. It's a great incentive. He is waiting for me."

Chalana, who has been recuperating in Lisbon for six months, hurt himself on August 16 in a French league match against Rennes: "It was a tear in a thigh muscle which hadn't been properly healed, and, undoubtedly, the secondary effects of an injection that went wrong."

Chalana feels calmer now, but he was terribly upset when he heard that Bordeaux were pursuing the Yugoslav international attacker Vujovic, of Hajduk. In fact they still are. Vujovic will be free to move at the end of this season, but will not do so unless whatever club he signs for also takes his twin, a fellow international. Bordeaux would seem ready to do both, which would push out Chalana as an extra foreigner.

Understandably, Chalana has been deeply upset by suggestions that he does not want to play, and none too pleased by others, that he does not get on with the president, manager and players of Bordeaux. He will not, he says, even think about not going to Mexico: "That would be one frustration more."

Tomorrow in Avellino, Italy play a friendly against West Germany. One of its most interesting aspects will be the performance of Paolo Rossi, now a Milan forward, who looks as if he may rise phoenix-like again, for the coming World Cup.

Rossi had a poor time of it last year, in his first season for Milan, not least thanks to injuries. But a fine performance — oddly enough, on Avellino's ground — nine days ago led his Swedish manager, Nils Liedholm (scorer of the first goal in the 1958 World Cup final), to say that he thought Rossi would repeat his Spanish success in Mexico.

There are no surprises in Enzo Bearzot's choice for Italy, but Franz Beckenbauer is having a difficult time picking his German team. He knows he will be without his talented young midfielder Uwe Rahn, badly injured in training and doubtful even for Mexico, while Rudi Voeller, Werder Bremen's prolific striker, injured by the Bayern Munich and West German sweeper Augenthaler, remains out of action.

Beckenbauer is hoping to have his two distinguished Italian "exiles", Hans-Peter Briegel and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge. Briegel has just announced that he will be leaving Verona at the end of this season, his second with the club. Richer Italian teams are already queuing up for him.

Thanks to the international, the Italian championship had a day off yesterday, but when it resumes, Bobby Robson should really take a good look at Bari's young centre-forward Paul Rideout, running into form again after his splendid start to the season had petered out a little. In his last game at Como, Rideout was most impressive, scoring the goal that gave a depleted Bari their unexpected point.

With Hateley waning, Rideout's claims become the stronger. And unlike Hateley, he has been playing in a beleaguered team.

Next Saturday, Italy's international referee, Paolo Bergamo, must appear before the referees' disciplinary committee, accused of failing to report a case of attempted bribery. The case, that is to say, of Senator Dino Viola, president of Roma, who admitted giving 100 million lire to an intermediary to bribe the French referee Vautrot, before the second leg of the European Cup semi final against Dundee United in 1984.

To the scandalized outrage of the Italian sporting press, the disciplinary committee of the Italian FA (FIGC) did not punish either Viola or the intermediary, former international stopper Spartaco Landini, though both were found guilty. The reason given was that they were protected by the FIGC's statute of limitations, whereby a case must be brought before the end of the year which follows any given season.

Things are looking up a little for Tele Santana, who has just begun his third stint as Brazil's team manager. Both Zico and Socrates have just begun to play again for Flamengo after four months' absence; and they look good. Last week, Flamengo had a match in Florence against Fiorentina: part of the deal for Socrates' transfer back to Brazil. Zico did not come: he still has hanging over him in Italy a sentence for alleged tax evasion.

Falcao, another member of that marvellous midfield, did briefly return to Rome and went to a match at the Olympic Stadium played by his old club, Roma. There, he was promptly presented with a writ, alleging paternity of a four-and-a-half-year-old boy, whose presumptive father, Franco Cesarini, has disowned him.

His former wife has taken Falcao to court, but the player has returned to Brazil, instructing his Roman lawyers.

● *Brian Glanville is Football Correspondent of the Sunday Times.*

New £¾m package for Spurs

Tottenham unveiled a new £750,000 sponsorship package yesterday when Holsten agreed a new three-year deal.But Tottenham's delight at the continuing support of the German lager brewers was tempered by the ban on alcohol in executive boxes.

Mr Justice Popplewell recommended in a recent report that restrictions should be reviewed. But Paul Bobroff, a Spurs director, said yesterday: "We are disturbed to find that the Home Office has not yet received sufficient information from the Football League for the Home Secretary to decide on the issue."

Mr Bobroff has contacted the League and has been told that "certain clubs" are dragging their heels.

"It seems astonishing that when such a large part of our market is at stake, some clubs or the League should be so dilatory in providing the information," he said.

"There is at least £4 million involved and the effect will be nothing short of catastrophic if the ban is not relaxed. Ground improvement will cease and new stand building will stop," he added.

Yesterday's sponsorship renewal represents a significant increase on the previous figure of just under £500,000.

But Alan Bridgett, deputy chairman and managing director of Holsten, said: "The decision to renew has been 'beaten out' in the face of all the difficulties which have pressed themselves on football.

"We believe it is our duty to assist football and encourage a responsible attitude at grounds. We want good British social behaviour irrespective of the sport. Racing, in which we are also heavily involved, has been quick to spot the possible dangers," Mr Bridgett said.

"I'm sure Tottenham will try as hard as possible to make our relationship a success."

YACHTING

First three are disqualified

Perth (AP) - The first three boats across the finishing line in Sunday's final warm-up race for this week's world 12-meter championships were disqualified by the race organizers yesterday.

The New York Yacht Club's America II, and also Australia II and Australia III all were ruled guilty of transgressions by the Royal Perth Yacht Club. The Italian entry, Italia, was declared the winner despite finishing fourth.

In Sunday's race, the American skipper John Kolius finished brilliantly to edge out Australia II

BOWLS

Former champion off to strong start

By Gordon Allan

Bob Sutherland of Scotland, the 1983 winner, beat Mike Pike 21-13 in the first round of the Embassy world indoor championships at Coatbridge yesterday. His next match is with one of the seeded players, Jim Baker of Ireland, the 1984 champion, tomorrow morning.

Sutherland and Baker have met six times in the past and Sutherland leads 4-2 in their private series. Inconsistency has been the weakness of Sutherland's game this season, as he himself said, and it was the main reason he was not seeded for this event.

Pike, a Southampton man who now lives in Guernsey, lacked the experience to stop Sutherland. The early heads were closely packed — surprisingly so, perhaps, for the opening round of the championship — but it was noticeable that Pike was having trouble with one of the basics of the game, length, and Sutherland established a 10-6 lead after 10 ends.

The man from the Channel Islands cut the lead to 11-8 but from that point on Sutherland played with increasing confidence and accuracy.

Ken Williams from Australia,who lost in the first round to Baker in 1984, was beaten 21-10 in an hour and 20 minutes by Roy Cutts from Ipswich. This match was won and lost in the first nine ends, during which Cutts went 16-2 ahead with some flawless drawing shots.

Results: First Round — R Sutherland (Scotland) 21, M Pike (Channel Islands) 13; R Cutts (England) 21, K Williams (Australia) 10.

FIXTURES AND FORECASTS — Paul Newman

Saturday February 8 unless stated

FIRST DIVISION
2 Aston Villa v W Ham
1 Birmingham v WBA
1 Chelsea v Oxford
1 Ipswich v Arsenal
V Liverpool v Man U (Playing Sunday)
1 Man C v QPR
1 Notts F v Newcastle
1 Sheff W v Leicester
X Soton v Luton
2 Tottenham v Coventry
2 Watford v Everton

SECOND DIVISION
X Barnsley v Sheff U
1 Bradford v Middlesbro
2 C Palace v Portsmth
X Grimsby v Leeds
X Huddersfld v Hull
1 Millwall v Wimbledon
X Oldham v Blackburn
X Shrewsbry v Norwich
1 Stoke v Fulham
1 Sunderland v Carlisle
Not on coupons: Charlton v Brighton

THIRD DIVISION
1 Bristol R v Doncaster
X Bury v Blackpool
X Chesterfld v Notts Co
1 Gillingham v Bournemth
1 Newport v Brentford
1 Plymth v Rotherham
1 Reading v Lincoln
1 Wigan v Cardiff
2 York v Derby
Not on coupons: Darlington v Bristol City (Sunday); Swansea v Bolton; Walsall v Wolves (Sunday)

FOURTH DIVISION
1 Burnley v Crewe
2 Exeter v Mansfield
2 Hereford v Hartlepool
1 Nthampton v Torquay
1 Orient v Cambridge U
2 Peterboro v Stockport
X Preston v Rochdale
1 Scunthorpe v Colchester
1 Swindon v Chester
1 Wrexham v Aldershot
Not on coupons: Southend v Port Vale (Friday); Tranmere v Halifax (Friday).

SCOTTISH PREMIER
1 Aberdeen v Clydebank
1 Celtic v St Mirren
1 Dundee U v Hibernian
1 Hearts v Dundee
2 Motherwell v Rangers

SCOTTISH FIRST
1 Brechin v Montrose
2 Clyde v Falkirk
1 Dumbarton v Ayr
1 Forfar v Airdrie
1 Hamilton v Alloa
X Kilmarnock v Morton
X Partick v East Fife

SCOTTISH SECOND
X Albion v Dunfermline
1 Cowdenbth v Stranraer
1 Q of Sth v Meadowbnk
Not on coupons: Queen's Park v Arbroath; Ramn v East Stirling; St Johnstone v Stenhousemuir; Stirling v Berwick.

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Southampton, Barnsley, Grimsby, Huddersfield, Oldham, Shrewsbury, Bury, Chesterfield, Preston, Kilmarnock, Partick, Albion.
BEST DRAWS: Southampton, Barnsley, Oldham, Preston, Partick.
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FIXED ODDS: Homes, Chelsea, Walsall, Burnley, Aberdeen, Dundee United. Aways: Coventry, Derby, Mansfield. Draws: Southampton, Barnsley, Preston.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FA Cup fourth round replay
Ipswich Town v West Ham Utd

Milk Cup fifth round replay
Arsenal v Aston Villa

Second division
Charlton v Brighton

Third division
Blackpool v Chesterfield
Bolton Wandrs v Bristol Rovers
Bournemouth v York City
Brentford v Walsall
Bristol City v Bury
Cardiff City v Darlington
Doncaster Rvrs v Swansea City
Notts County v Wigan Ath
Rotherham Utd v Newport County
Wolverhampton v Reading

Fourth division
Aldershot v Orient
Cambridge Utd v Wrexham
Colchester Utd v Southend Utd
Crewe Alex v Peterborough
Halifax Town v Exeter City
Rochdale v Hereford Utd
Torquay Utd v Burnley

Scottish first division
Alloa Athletic v Dumbarton

Scottish second division
Raith Rovers v Albion Rovers

Scottish Cup Third round replay
St Mirren v East Fife

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Goole v Witton
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Crawley v Gosport, Witney v RS Southampton
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Leeds v Huddersfield (7.0) Second division: Burnley v Preston (7.0); Coventry v Bradford (7.0)
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Bristol Rovers v Southampton (2.30); Crystal Palace v Swindon (at Dulwich Hamlet,2.0); Ipswich v Swansea (2.0); Portsmouth v Tottenhamm (7.0); West Ham v Queen's Park Rangers (at Chadwell Heath, 2.0)
OTHER SPORT
RUGBY UNION: Club match: Bridgend v Newport (7.15)
BADMINTON: English national championships (at Woking LC)
BOWLS: Embassy world indoor singles (at Coatbridge)
BASKETBALL: Carlsberg National League: First division: Sharp Manchester United v Nissan Bears Worthing (at Stretford, 8.0)

FA Vase draw

SIXTH ROUND: Warmington v Hucknall CW; Buckingham or Havant v Wisbech; Southall v Stevenage; Halesowen v Camberley. Matches to be played on February 22.

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RUGBY UNION

Scots unlikely to ring the changes against England

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The wise men of Scotland and Ireland will put their heads together today after seeing their teams beaten in the five nations championship at the weekend. The results of their deliberations for the home games against England and Wales respectively on February 15 will be known tomorrow. Whereas Scotland may derive considerable comfort from defeat against Wales, the Irish must be seriously concerned about their tight forwards.

The Scots left Cardiff to prepare for their next game in the belief that they could have beaten the Welsh. That they accepted the referee's decision not to award David Sole a try was very much to their credit, but it did not lessen the feeling that they should have scored and that the game, from that point, could have been theirs.

I suspect they will make few, if any, changes even though their half-backs have received criticism. England would not mind seeing the back of Rutherford and Laidlaw, two players of immense craft and experience, when they arrive at Murrayfield; they were also impressed with Jeffery, the Kelso flanker.

This is obviously the season, given the new ruck-maul law, of the big back row man who can stay on his feet; Jeffery would blend very well with the current French back-row squad of Champ, Erbani and Joinel, and it would be nice to think that England's Hall will come into his own as a ball handler as the season progresses.

Ireland will doubtless restore Matthews to their back row against Wales. He has recovered from his elbow injury, but it is probably too early for Carr to return as the other flanker. He is much more confident about his fitness, having played two junior and two senior games recently, but he may not yet be ready for international rugby.

It is another Ulsterman, McCall (London Irish), who may get serious consideration. The Irish scrummaging against France was poor and Anderson's place at lock may be in jeopardy. McCall is a useful player at the front of the line-out and no slouch about the field and if changes are to be made, in what was, hitherto, a settled area of the team, a home game is the place to make them.

The scrummaging of the front row may also be called into question. Des Fitzgerald, the Leinster tight-head prop, may be considered, though McCoy is a good performer in the loose. Orr, after 49 caps, cannot go on forever; sentiment may keep him there for a fiftieth but it is hard to imagine him still being in circulation for next year's world tournament, and if he is to receive his farewell handshake, this may be the time.

Wales will announce their side to play Ireland on Friday happy with their backs, less than happy perhaps with their back row. Interestingly England, who trained at Twickenham over the week-end, have confirmed the quality of the defence of the Welsh backs with film of the England/Wales game last month taken from the south stand, which reveals clearly how much the Welsh mid-field did to draw the sting from England's attacks.

England are happy that Underwood will be fit by February 15, though he did not train on Sunday because of a damaged Achilles tendon. Smith, the Wasps wing, did not complete training because of a bruised heel but otherwise the English camp has a comparatively clean bill of health. Davies, despite turning an ankle while training with Wasps, took part and the match squad was reinforced by Peter Williams (Orrell) and Harrison (Wakefield).

Yorkshire have six in England squad

By David Hands

Six of the Yorkshire players who helped beat Kent in the final of the county colts championship have been named in the England squad of 28 which meets for training in Birmingham this weekend. They will play Warwickshire under-21s at Rugby on Sunday after which a squad of 21 will be chosen to prepare for the Colts international season which begins against Italy in Rome on March 22.

Yorkshire success, by 14-3 in Dover, was their third win in a championship now sponsored by the national Westminster Bank. They won in 1980 and in 1982, a proud record for their coach of such long standing, Allan Roache, who now hopes to turn his mind to club coaching.

The win over Kent represented a triumph for the Yorkshire backs who took their chances well. They scored an excellent try through their right wing, Walker (north Ribblesdale) to go with another by Garnett (ioninas) the flanker. Irving, their captain and centre from Cleckheaton, kicked two penalties in a game sympathetically handled by Tony Trigg, the international referee.

After their brief visit to Rome, the Colts face an away game against Wales at Whitland on April 5 and their representative season concludes against France at London Welsh on April 18.

SKIING

Mueller takes his first win of the season

Crans-Montana, Switzerland (AP) - Peter Mueller, the Swiss downhill specialist, was the surprising winner in the men's BASF World Cup super-giant slalom race held here yesterday. He led a strong showing by the Swiss team, including second place for Pirmin Zurbriggen.

Mueller, aged 28 and in his tenth season on the World Cup circuit, skied aggressively down the 2,200 metre Piste Nationale to record his first victory of the season after several second places in downhill events.

Zurbriggen, the defending world champion, has yet to win this season. Markus Wasmaier, of West Germany, finished third, ahead of two more Swiss, Franz Heinzer and Karl Alpiger.

His victory allowed Mueller to take the lead in the overall World Cup standings, jumping from fifth place to overtake last year's winner, Marc Girardelli of Luxembourg, who finished outside the first 15 yesterday.

RESULTS: 1, P Mueller (Switz), 1min 39.32sec; 2, P Zurbriggen (Switz), 1:39.72; 3, M Wasmaier (WG), 1:39.95; 4, F Heinzer (Switz), 1:40.02; 5, K Alpiger (Switz), 1:40.12; 6, M Mair (It), 1:40.37; 7, L Stock (Austria), 1:40.62; 8, J Schick (WG), 1:40.64; 9, H Strolz (Austria), 1:40.74; 10, M Hangl (Switz), 1:40.89; 11, G Pfaffenbichler (Austria), 1:40.98; 12, S Wildgruber (WG), 1:40.99; 13, S Niederseer (Austria) and F Piccard (Fr), 1:41.03; 15, K Walk (Austria), 1:41.15.

Overall standings: 1, Mueller, 149 pts; 2, M Girardelli (Lux), 142; 3, P Wirnsberger (Austria), 137; 4, I Stenmark (Swe), 127; 5, R Petrovic (Yug) 125.

LACROSSE

Midlands shock North

By Peter Tatlow

Midlands caused the second flutter in two days when they came within an ace of beating North during the first weekend of the All England Territorial championships at Harrogate.

The first shock came on Saturday when South, the holders, could only draw 6-6 with Midlands. The next day, Midlands went into a 5-3 lead over North.

After the interval North showed more determination and their stamina put them on equal terms, with a splendid goal by Jenny Sonderson making it 7-7, and with only three minutes to go England player Phil Mitchell scored the winner.

In the other two games Jackie Graham (4) and eight other goal-scorers gave West a 17-0 victory over Combined Universities, and Di Stearn, of St Mary's College Twickenham, also scored four times to lead South to a 9-2 victory over East.

South's close 7-5 victory over North on Saturday seems to have settled the championships which are concluded at Newbury in two weeks time.

RESULTS: North 15, Combined Universities 5; South 6, Midlands 6; East 1, West 8; North 5, South 7; Combined Universities 0, West 17; East 2, South 9; North 8, Midlands 7.

SNOOKER



Three times a winner: the triumphant Cliff Thorburn holds his Masters trophy aloft

Masters' winner Thorburn takes aim at the world title

By Sydney Friskin

Cliff Thorburn left London by air yesterday morning to rejoin his family in Toronto after retaining the Benson & Hedges Masters snooker title at Wembley on Sunday night. His main ambition when he returns is to regain the world title, which he won in 1980.

Jimmy White, whom Thorburn defeated 9-5 in Sunday's final, includes himself among a list of 10players capable of winning the world championship at Sheffield (April 19-May 5) but he firmly believes that Thorburn will be the hardest man to beat, despite the fact that Steve Davis will be the favourite.

Thorburn said in an interview on Sunday that he would spend a week in Canada and return to Derby in time for the Dulux British open championship, which starts on February 16. He also announced his intention to live permanently in Britain with his family after the world championship, but had not yet decided where he would stay.

The first prize of £45,000 took Thorburn's earnings for the season to a total of £157,800, which is about £16,000 more than Davies has so far accumulated. When this was brought to his notice, he said: "Fine, but I'm not going to go out and spend it." He was the first player to win the Masters title three times, his previous successes having been achieved in 1983 and 1985.

Paying a rich tribute to White, Thorburn said: "I can never outpot him, he is dangerous all the time."

White decribed the final as a good tactical game and added: "Cliff punished me for the errors I made. It is fatal to make a mistake against him because he gets stronger and stronger once he finds his rhythm."

In a match played at a steady pace, the left-handed White had no place to hide. On three occasions a lead of more than 50 points was not enough for him to win the frame, as he himself admitted. "I didn't nick any frames off him. He nicked a few off me. I should have cut the lead to 7-6." The reference was to the thirteenth frame, in which White terminated a break of 59 by losing the cue ball, Thorburn eventually clearing the table with a break of 61.

While Thorburn relaxes in Canada, there is no respite for White, who plays Neal Foulds in the Tolly Cobbold English professional championship at the Corn Exchange, Ipswich on Friday. He had actually forgotten about this event, which starts on Thursday with a match between Tony Meo and Dean Reynolds.

FINAL: C.Thorburn (Can) bt J White 9-5. Frame Scores: (Thorburn first): 35-68, 75-22, 68-25, 70-27, 21-90, 69-14, 61-52, 9-65, 63-53, 56-69, 12-76, 73-16, 65-60 and 68-33.

Brilliant loser White plays with style of a champion

Alex Higgins, with his dash and lunatic brilliance, did more than any other player to create the snooker boom.

He showed us all that snooker need not be a game for sordid old men who trundle the cue ball back into baulk with expressions of idiot satisfaction on their faces. He demonstrated that snooker can be a game of cracked, demented adventure, and so won himself the nickname of "the people's champion".

It seems that he has passed the torch on to Jimmy White. To be at Wembley this weekend, where the Conference Centre was turned into a bear garden by 2,500 beery and boisterous spectators ("Goooru Jimmy!"), was to attend a riot meeting of the Jimmy White Glee Club, but I have a fancy that White does not want to be the people's champion. He wants to be the world champion. The real thing.

He has everything the people could wish for: a great crashing adventurousness with the balls, staggering skills, awesome power — all this and a loser too. What more could you want? He makes snooker seem a gay, chivalrous thing, one in which a young man could happily toss his life away with a smile: if Harry Hotspur had been a snooker player, he would have been like Jimmy White of Tooting.

Cliff Thorburn, victor in the weekend's final of the Benson & Hedges Masters tournament, was splendidly cast as White's opponent. Thorburn makes potting a red and lying up safe look like an epic: brow furrowed in violent concentration, immense deliberation, unhurried delivery: one point.

He beat White 9-5 despite playing poorish snooker. His snooker mechanism seemed to be missing on one cylinder, but his snooker brain was never out of gear.

Where Thorburn rolls balls into the pocket, White tries to crack the brass fillet behind them. Traditionally, when White misses, the ball goes up and down the table half a dozen times and opens the game up for any method man opposing him. But when he gets into a rhythm, he is devastation itself: once he starts smacking the balls about, you have had it.

Thorburn worked his hardest to stop that happening: and it worked. In fact he made White work for everything.

White is a little like Ian Botham, in that he prides himself most on things that go against his nature. Botham regards his Headingley 149 as "hilarious", but is proud, in an almost shocked kind of way, of some of his defensive innings. And White, the gladdest potter in the game, summed up his tournament by saying happily: "My safety game was as good as anything."

He was also pleased with the cautious, clever, canny way he trapped Thorburn with a pair of snookers in the last frame. "It's coming, you know, it's coming," he said. For a long time, White has been able to play the most brilliant frames in snooker: for a long time, he has also been able to play brilliant matches. But now he is bullying himself to play successful tournaments.

One of Thorburn's great assets as a tournament player — one who has a long-term object always in mind — is the knowledge of when the time is right to go against his nature and attack. White is learning about going against his own nature: not how to play safe, but when.

Yet he remains the most infuriating of men. Twice in the final, he missed straightforward chances from the rest:

But White, fresh from his recent win in the Mercantile tournament, was clearly trying to play like a champion rather than like Jimmy White pure and simple.

Certainly, apart from one or two stirring moments, his game was inhibited. "Funny — I murdered Cliff twice in the world championships when I was inexperienced," he said. But in those days, he would have beaten a great player trimphantly and then crashed out in the next round. He is beginning to look like a tournament winner these days, even if he missed this one. He is becoming less like Harry Hotspur.

But not at the expense of chivalry. He called his own foul at one stage, when nobody had noticed anything wrong. That is his way.

Thornburn said: "Before our match, I heard him say in an interview that there would be no gamesmanship in our final, and that we would just go out and enjoy our snooker. I like that. He's a good boy. No, he's a good man these days, I guess."

Yes, and one determined to mature into a champion: to mix the less attractive, less glamorous parts of snooker to his game, at the expense of his own luscious pursuit of impossible pots. The man with a reputation for being the fastest gun in snooker now says things like "I'll keep plodding on."

His task is to plod up to championship level in defiance of his own quixotic nature. As a lover of quixotry, there is one way in which I hope that he never makes it, that he will leave us all shouting "Goooru Jimmy!" in vain forever. But I won't bet on it.

He could become more than a mere people's champion. This year, perhaps. He certainly wants the world championship more than anything now.

Simon Barnes

BOBSLEIGHING

Phipps poised for final challenge

From Chris Moore, Lake Placid

Nick Phipps, near the end of a season that has promised so much for British bobsleighing, goes into this week's final round of the World Cup in Lake Placid with more medals still within his grasp.

Despite being edged out of the top three in the overall two-man competition, his seventh place in St Moritz on Sunday was sufficient to retain third spot in the combined standings for the four-man event.And as the World Cup circus loaded up for yesterday's trans-Atlantic departure from Munich, the British champion, aged 33, also had the incentive of a top three finish in the combination at which to aim.

His two and four-man points total is 111, putting him in third place behind the 1983 world champion Ekkerhard Fasser of Switzerland (127) and Maris Pojkans (125),of the Soviet Union.But the big danger to Phipps and his Allied Steel crew of Keith Power, Bob Thorne and Alan Cearns, would appear to be the up and coming new American No 1 Matt Roy.

Roy pipped him by one place in St Moritz and is now joint third with Phipps in the four-man standings. Both have 60 points. Walter Dellekarth, of Austria, is out in front with 81, nine more than Fasser.

With "home" advantage at Lake Placid, Roy will be favourite to deny Phipps the bronze in the combined standings. But with the Russians missing, the way is open for the pair of them to overtake Pojkans for the silver medal in the combination.

Much, however, is going to depend on fate and fortune. Placid demands the ultimate in driving skill and daring. It is longer and faster than all the other World Cup venues, measuring 1,557 metres from top to bottom, with an awesome vertical drop of 148 metres. But as he says, anything can happen to anyone at Placid. "That's why I still feel in with a shout of finishing in the top three of the two-man standings providing, of course, we stay out of trouble ourselves."

ICE HOCKEY

A leading Hand in Racers' victory

By a Correspondent

The premier division of the Heineken League had an unusual weekend in that there was no change of position among the top six clubs. There were, however, several notable individual needs with 18-year-old Tony Hand leading the way.

The young Scot had eight goals and four assists in Murrayfield Racer's 13-4 win at Cleveland: a personal best. On Sunday, it was Rick Fera who took the honours with six goals and one assist, the Racers scoring 13 and restricting the normally high-scoring Ayr Bruins to a mere half-dozen. Inevitably the league's leading scorers, Tim Salmon and Kevin Conway, shared four of them.

Streatham Redskins continue to travel to Scotland more in hope than expectation and suffered two more defeats at Fife and Dundeen. The NHL experience of Tod Bidner and Garry Unger proved Redskins' undoing as each scored three goals.

John Ciotti had a tally of seven goals and five assists in Durham Wasps' two wins, while Jim Earle managed seven goals and four assists in only one game, Cleveland's win at Peterborough. The Pirates still await their first premier division win.

The most dramatic finish came at Witley Bay on Sunday when Nottingham Panthers, trailing 4-3, went on the power-play, removed their goaltender to ice an extra forward and had defensemen, Robin Andrew, to thank for scoring the equalizer only 23 seconds from the final buzzer.

HOCKEY

N Zealand are first opponents

By Sydney Friskin

To mark the centenary of the Hockey Association, the sixth World Cup will be held at the Willesden Stadium in London from April 4-10. England begin their challenge on the opening day with a match against New Zealand and in order to qualify for the semi-finals on October 18 they will need to finish first or second in their group. They face further opposition from the Soviet Union, the Netherlands, Pakistan (the holders) and Argentina.

Australia, Canada, West Germany India, Poland and Spain make up the other group. There will be three matches a day during the round-robin series.

WORLD CUP FIXTURES: Oct 4: Soviet Union v Netherlands; Argentina v Pakistan; England v New Zealand. Oct 5: Australia v Canada; India v Poland; Spain v West Germany. Oct 6: England v Argentina; Soviet Union v New Zealand; Netherlands v Pakistan. Oct 7: India v Spain; Australia v West Germany; Canada v Poland. Oct 8: Pakistan v New Zealand; England v Soviet Union; Netherlands v Argentina. Oct 10: Poland v West Germany; Australia v Spain; Canada v India. Oct 11: England v Pakistan; Netherlands v New Zealand; Argentina v Soviet Union. Oct 12: Spain v Poland; Canada v West Germany; Argentina v India. Oct 13: New Zealand v Argentina; England v Netherlands; Soviet Union v Pakistan. Oct 14: India v West Germany; Canada v Spain; Australia v Poland.

● Slough completed a successful weekend in the Pizza Express London League by defeating St Albans 2-1 at home on Sunday to move into second place in the premier division. At half-time the score was 1-1. St. Albans having scored first, through Ashby. Barber equalized from a short corner and the winning goal was scored by Dak in the second-half. On Saturday Slough had defeated Spencer 4-0.

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION CUP: First round: Old Beccehemians 0, Southgate Adelaide 2; Norfolk Wanderers 1, Ford 2; Pelicans 0, West Herts 1; Whitehaven 1, Durham University 4; Young Muslims 2, Disley 5; Stourport 2, Northampton Saints 1; Khalsa (Leamington) 1, Redditch 0; Rugby Town 0, South Nottingham 7; Nottingham 2, Derby 1

SUNLIFE WEST LEAGUE. Premier division: Exeter Crickets 0, Firebrands 2; Hereford 0, Isca 0; Marlborough 2, Plymouth 1; Swindon 1, Brean 3; West Gloucester 1, Exeter University 0

SOUTH WALES LEAGUE: Premier division: Cardiff 4, Oystermouth 0; Llanishen 1, Penarth 2; Swansea 3, Newport 1; Whitchurch 13, Cwmbran 0

Harris back in Welsh squad

Wales have announced their players for 1986. Unlike England they have named the full squad of 16, five of whom will join the B squad of 11 and play in the international B team's tournament in Manchester on February 21-22 (Joyce Whitehead writes). In the A squad is Wendy Davies, aged 17, a schoolgirl from Swansea, while Linda Harris has returned to the side after a year out due to a knee injury. Marita Williams has been recalled. A captain has not yet been appointed.

BASKETBALL

US star is accused of getting lenient deal from referees

By Nicholas Harling

Team Polycell Kingston go to Portsmouth tomorrow for a match that is certain to have a vital bearing on the Carlsberg National League Championship with their star American guard, Steve Bontrager, accused of getting "preferential treatment" from referees.

Allen Loonin, the American coach of Walkers Crisps Leicester, made the accusation on Saturday after his side's 137-121 defeat at Tolworth, Bontrager having scored 43 points for the winners.

"If more calls had been made on Bontrager it would have been a lot closer," Loonin said. "Steve Bontrager gets preferential treatment more than any other player in the League." Loonin's view is that Bontrager has perfected the art of drawing fouls when he is the real offender, having deceived opponents — and referees too — by charging into players lining up to stop him.

"I would offer any film to any referee," Loonin said. "He's palming and pushing off all the time. He gets away with it but it's illegal and it's never called. As soon as he objects to a call, he doesn't get a call against him for the next four minutes."

Bontrager replied: "So many people complain about me getting preferential treatment that referees, in trying to make it fair, end up by going against me."

For the first 10 minutes of an engrossing game, it seemed that Loonin would have more cause to praise his own players than criticize officials. With Vaughan and Meagher prominent, Leicester led 16-4 before Bontrager, Clark and Davis inspired the inevitable Kingston rally to take them into the lead by 68-53 at half-time.

Eight points by Innell, his first of the match, in the first two minutes of the second half put the match out of Leicester's reach, although they never surrendered.

Portsmouth and Sharp Manchester United, the other contenders, both had easy wins — Portsmouth by 84-66 against struggling Home Spare Bolton. United with a 96-82 success against Hemel/Watford, whose place in the national championship play-offs is now in jeopardy.

United's neighbours, Manchester Giants, were the latest victims of the revival by Brunel Ducks Uxbridge and Camden. The most impressive promoted team for five years, Uxbridge followed their victories against Leicester last week and at Hemel in midweek by winning 87-78 at Altrincham with the help of 31 points from Politi.

QRS Sunderland, who were beaten 129-113 at Happy Eater Bracknell, have released one of their Americans, Victor Alexander, who has joined a Venezuelan first division club. "He's had an unfortunate time what with injuries and trying to get into shape but he's done a good job for us in some games," Dave Elderkin, the Sunderland coach said. Dykstra's 44 points for Sunderland made him the week's top scorer but to no avail.

Nissan Bears Worthing, still with hopes of making the play-offs, almost suffered a shock defeat at McEwan Tyneside, who were 14 points up with four minutes to go, Tyneside then made the mistake of holding on to what they had, enabling Shackleford to inspire a Worthing recovery in overtime by 91-81.

The other first divison match, at Crystal Palace, started half an hour late as visiting Birmingham broke down enroute, which left them in no state to suppress Jennings, the scorer of 41 points in Palace's 117-92 victory. Palace now look certain to qualify for the play-offs.

TENNIS

Youth have chance to claim a place at top

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

The retirement of Susan Barker and Virginia Wade in turn has left room at the top for the young women of British tennis. The past and present national champions, Joanna Durie, aged 25, and Anne Hobbs, aged 26, are the only widely experienced players available for this year's most important team events, the world championship for the Federation Cup and the annual contest with the United States for the Wightman Cup.

Susan Mappin, the national team manager, said yesterday that Joanne Louis, Jane and Clare Wood, and Belinda Borneo, were among a group of younger players who "should be looking at the fifth place in the Wightman Cup team". Whereas Federation Cup ties consist of only two singles and one doubles, the Wightman Cup demands three singles players and two doubles teams. Amanda Brown looks the most vulnerable of the five obvious candidates.

Annabel Croft, Miss Durie, and Miss Hobbs are Britain's leading singles players, with Sara Gomer challenging for a place on the faster surfaces. Miss Durie and Miss Hobbs remain the outstanding doubles team but Miss Croft and Miss Gomer formed an encouraging partnership during last month's qualifying competition for the inaugural European Cup, and indoor team championship. Miss Brown, too, must be considered for a doubles place.

Britain won their group in the European Cup, which has the same format as the Federation Cup, and could become the inaugeral champions when the six nations who have qualified for the first division, contest the title from November 27-30 at a venue that has yet to be decided. Much depends on the quality of the players available for the other competing teams.

Last month, at Loano (Italy), Miss Croft and Miss Gomer shouldered the burden. "They had some valuable experience", Miss Mappin said yesterday. "Annabel played number one, without being accustomed to that, and had to get used to the pressure. As number two, Sara had to start the ties off and did it very adequately. As they won the qualifying rounds I would like to give those two the same experience again, in November, if they are available."

The Wightman Cup event will be played four weeks earlier, at the Albert Hall - and there could be a vacancy for one of a host of presently obscure teenagers.



Cup chance: Brown (left) and Gomer

Mrs Lloyd wins again

Key Biscayne, Florida (AP) - Chris Lloyd, of the United States, used her recently developed strength to take the sting out of Steffi Graf's power strokes and claim a 6-3, 6-1, victory in the final of the $250,000 (£178,000) Virginia Slims tournament on Sunday.

Mrs Lloyd, the top seed here and ranked No 2 in the world, also displayed her psychological toughness and took advantage of Miss Graf's fragile psyche at the end of each set. She won 12 of the final 14 points in the first set and 13 of 14 at the end of the 115-minute match on the cement courts at the Sheraton Royal Biscayne resort. She earned $40,000 for the victory, while Miss Graf, the second seed and No 6 in the world, picked up $20,000 for her runner-up finish in front of 4,912 spectators.

After Miss Graf broke Mrs Lloyd's service to get even at 3-3 in the first set, the 31 year-old former Wimbledon champion wore down her opponent and won 12 of the next 14 points to win the set.

Miss Graf regained her composure long enough to break MrsLloyd's serve in the first game of the second set, but the 16-year-old West German fell apart when a bad line call cost her the next game.

She won only four more points the rest of the way, losing two games to love.

RACING

Royscar should make most of favourable conditions

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

With Mr Snugfit declared for the Stanwix Handicap Chase at Carlisle this afternoon and Corbiere under orders for the George Coney Challenge Cup at Warwick, this year's Grand National will be upper most in the minds of many again today.

The two finished second and third respectively behind Last Suspect in last year's Aintree spectacular. And of course Corbiere also finished third the year before having won the big race in 1983. While his trainer, Jenny Pitman, clearly resents the handicapper's decision to give her horse as much as 11st 4lb to carry around Liverpool this spring she can have no qualms about his weight for the feature race at Warwick this afternoon.

However, well though I expect her pride and joy to go with only 10 st 12 lb, more especially as he showed a glimmer of sparkle at Cheltenham last month when he finished fourth behind Knock Hill over four miles I still prefer Royscar in this instance.

The eventual winner will have to be a horse who stays really well and revels in muddy conditions underfoot. Also he must be in form. To my way of thinking Royscar fits that bill and he is my idea of a sporting nap. Not to be confused with Royscript who also runs in the same race, Royscar seems to be better now than at any time in his life and that is something that appeals to me about a horse with only 10 st to carry.

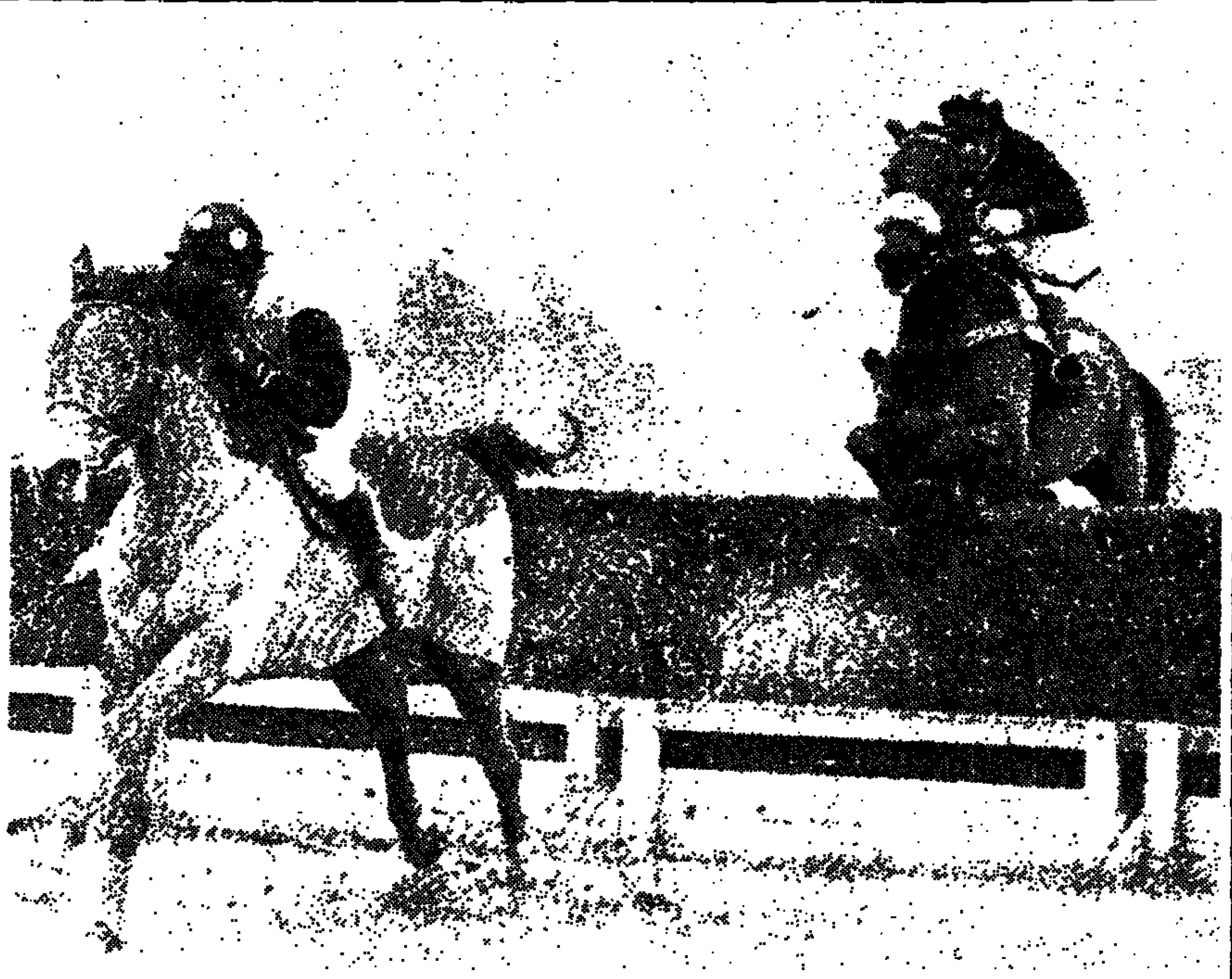
The first sign of that improvement was to be gleaned at Newton Abbot on Boxing Day when he finished second to Broadheath, who had himself won three of his four previous races. In third place that day was the hot favourite, Ballinacurra Lad, whose subsequent form reads so well. Then Roscar went to Wincanton 12 days ago where he finished in grand style at the end of three miles and a furlong to beat Macoliver who had won his two previous races.

To me all that says that Royscar will prove hard to beat this afternoon, even though, with his penalty, he still has 2 lb more to carry than his official rating. Apart from Corbiere, Sam Wrekin, Little Polveir, Flaxen Tina, Royscript and Leckie will provide tough opposition

If Corbiere is beaten his trainer should derive some consolation by at least winning the Malden Timber (EBF) Novices Hurdle (Qualifier) with Lafosse.

Otherwise it could easily pay to pin one's faith on two horses who fell last time out quite uncharacteristically. **Rainbow Lady** (2.00) got no further than the second flight at Wincanton last time out. Before that she made most of the running to win here at Warwick and now I expect her to go well again in the Burton Hill Handicap Hurdle.

Fudge Delight, my selection for the Princethorpe Novices' Chase, also came a cropper last time out at Kempton. But before that he had run Berlin to four lengths at Lingfield.



Graiguenamanagh takes the last behind Cresum before winning Fontwell's Bognor Regis Chase (Photo: Ian Stewart)

My Dominion boosts Festival claim

My Dominion, carrying the colours of Terry Ramsden for the first time, and also a substantial pile of off-course money, took his winning sequence to five in the bet With The Tote Novices Hurdle. Jonathan Lower, aged 17, scoring his 17th success of the season, was riding at Fontwell for the first time and had a battle to settle My Dominion in the early stages, especially with Christo taking him on, but My Dominion never faltered and stormed home four lengths clear of San Carlos.

My Dominion will be one of Ramsden's three runners in the Triumph at Cheltenham, but his main hope must be Brunico, who runs next at Kempton.

Pipe watched another of his four-year-olds, Grundy Lane, beaten into second place in the opening division of the Bishop's Wood Novice Hurdle at Wolverhampton. Despite hating the ground, Dan Raise beat the 11-8 favourite a length, with Vulrory's Clown a further three lengths away third.

Martin Brennan set out to lead all the way on Vulrory's Clown and the combination was still at the head of affairs jumping the last flight, but he was soon overhauled by the winner and then the favourite.

Mark Pitman, who rode Dan Raise for his mother, Jenny, described the ground as "bottomless." He brought Dan Raise on the outside, attempting to pick the better ground and although his mount was hanging towards the other horses the move paid dividends.

Jenny Pitman reported that Burrough Hill Lad came out of Saturday's Sandown Park victory well and there were no problems following his magnificent comeback.

Mrs Pitman completed a double when she saddled even-money favourite Stearsby to lead all the way under Peter Scudamore for a convincing victory in the EBF Novices' Chase. "Peter has ridden four winners for me, and finished third on Corbiere in the Grand National on his only other mount for me," said the Lambourn trainer.

Stearsby jumped to the right, just as he did when scoring on the course last month, until the last fence, which he took perfectly.

Scudamore completed a 5-1 double on King Ba Ba, 2-1 winning favourite in the Burnhill Handicap Chase, to go to the top of the jockeys' table with 52 winners - one more than Simon Sherwood.

WARWICK

Going: soft.

1.30 RYTON NOVICE HURDLE (£1,518: 2m) (25 runners)

1 1101 CLEARLY BUST (D) (C Holmes) C Holmes 6-11-13 D Hood (7)
4 1F0004 WHAT WILL I WEAR (D) (Lady Anne Bentinck) J Glover 8-11-13 D McKeown (7)
6 ARTIC WONG (T Midgley) K Morgan 8-11-6 S Johnson
8 00 CAREEN (J Middleweek) M Pipe 5-11-6 P Leach
13 00 CYM (Wells Paper Co Ltd) S Mellor 5-11-6 M Harrington
14 0 DRAKES LAD (K Hogg) P Burgoyne 9-11-6 —
15 ELVERS GREEN (R Lambert) J Cosgrave 8-11-6 M Caswell
16 00 FATHER MAC (D Fretwell) Mrs M Rimell 5-11-6 —
17 0-0 FLEET BAY (Mrs J Wonnacott) Mrs J Wonnacott 6-11-6 D Wonnacott (7)
20 42402-4 HOUSE OF LORDS (J Gillow) J Fitzgerald 7-11-6 —
24 0 MEAUME (D Ancil) D Ancil 6-11-6 G McCourt
28 MY SON MY SON (W Hannon) S Mellor 5-11-6G Charles-Jones
30 QUICK FLING (C Williams) C Williams 5-11-6 —
33 P SANDFIELD (Mrs H Knott) M Eckley 8-11-6 A O'Hagen
36 WATER PISTOL (D Powell) D Wintle 8-11-6 A Carroll
38 000 JACKIE'S LASS (Mrs J Brown) W Wharton 5-11-1 M Brennan
39 LADY REEFFI (H Peachey) H Peachey 5-11-1 P Dever
40 004 MARY KATE O'BRIEN (Mrs B Curley) B Curley 5-11-1 D Murphy (4)
44 0- TOM'S NAP HAND (T Staddon) W R Williams 5-11-1 C Brown
45 0 TRUE BLOSSOM (N Roberts) J Webber 5-11-1 G Mernagh
47 0F CLAUDES MEN (R Ingamells) L Lightbrown 4-10-10 K Sims (7)
51 0044 MAORI WARRIOR (NZ) (C Coombs) A Barrow 4-10-10 B Powell
57 0440 WALMER SANDS (USA) (Mrs C Welch) J Spearing 4 10 10 P Warner
58 00 CHAISE LONGUE (C Wright) H O'Neill 4-10-5 —
59 0 EYE FLASHER (H Maddever) R Carter 4-10-5 P Barton

6-4 Clearly Bust, 4-1 My Son My Son, 5-1 House Of Lords, 7-1 Father Mac, 8-1 Mary Kate O'Brien, 12-1 Careen, 16-1 others. Blinkers: 4, 8.

Warwick selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Clearly Bust. 2.0 Rainbow Lady. 2.30 ROYSCAR (nap). 3.0 Lafosse. 3.30 Fudge Delight. 4.0 Siobhan's Joy. 4.30 All Intent.

2.0 BURTON HILL HANDICAP HURDLE (2,267: 2m) (25)

1 3-FP3F4 FRENCH CAPTAIN (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) Lady Herries 10-11-10R Rowe
3 4303-1F RAINBOW LADY (C-D) (B Wheatley) M Pipe 5-11-7 (7 ex) J Lower (7)
4 401-04 AMBIAN HILL (FR) (K Pinfield) R Juckes 7-11-5 T Pinfield (7)
5 3F11F4- THE WELDER (D) (R Yates) C Jackson 8-11-2 J Bryan
6 1120-20 BOLD ILLUSION (C-D) (H Thursfield) M Eckley 8-11-2 C Cox (4)
8 0/000P4- PATRICK'S FAIR (D) (W Slater) R E Peacock 10-11-0 —
11 000034 LULAY (D) (J Horn) D Nicholson 8-10-10 P Scudamore
15 000-04F LITTLE LONDON (D) (T Morton) T Morton 7-10-7R Dunwoody
16 01P0-0P WALHAN (D) (Mrs H Knott) M Eckley 6-10-5 A Hulburd (7)
17 000100 ORBITAL MANOEUVERS (D) (G Chipman) B McMahon 5-10-4 T Wall
19 40/0-P00 BROCK HILL (C-D) (Miss S Low) C F Jackson 10-10-3E Murphy (4)
20 140300- WOODWAY (C-D) (K Bell) D Wintle 5-10-3 A Carroll
21 0/0000-0 MARCELLINO (Mrs T Pilkington) A J Wilson 10-10-3J Suthern
22 P20P/U0 YORK COTTAGE (C Hitchings) C Hitchings 9-10-3 R Hyett
23 21P-0F3 ALETIS (P Gregori) Mrs A Finch 5-10-1 S Earle (4)
27 424800 TIMSAH (B Stevens) B Stevens 8-10-0 J H Davies
28 01-0000 APPALACHIAN (D) (T Snitter) C Vernon Miller 7-10-0D Browne
30 02-P000 ROYAL BAIZE (R Redding) J Baker 8-10-0 C Brown
32 0000P1 BURLEY HILL LASS (D) (C Pointon) E Wheeler 5-10-0 M Bowlby (7)
35 40/4-00F BLOW MY TOP (R Broomhall) R Holder 7-10-0 P Murphy
36 000-0 SHAKIRA GROVE (M Lilley) J Spearing 5-10-0 R Dickin
38 0F/PP-P0 BROOKS LAW (C-D) (D Bloomfield) D Bloomfield 11-10-0 L Bloomfield (4)
39 0P20-00 DINADAN (P Morris) A P James 5-10-0 G Jones
40 03P0-F0 RECORD RED (E Allsopp) J Spearing 5-10-0 P Warner
41 0P-00 DISCOVER GOLD (Ashley Harrison Co Ltd) R Juckes 5-10-0 —

3-1 Rainbow Lady, 4-1 Bold Illusion, 5-1 Patricks Fair, 6-1 Aletis.

2.30 GEORGE CONEY CHALLENGE CUP (Handicap chase: £3,967: 3m 4f 180yd) (13)

1 1/4020-0 RUPERTINO (Lord Kenyon) E Owen jun 11-11-7 R Stronge
2 00-3F22 SAM WREKIN (BF) (R Thomson) J Fitzgerald 8-10-12 —
3 13-0004 CORBIERE (B Burrough) Mrs J Pitman 11-10-12 B de Haan
4 2/11F11 GOLDEN KNOLL (Mrs J McKechnie) S Mellor 7-10-11G Charles-Jones
5 103-PP2 LITTLE POLVEIR (M Shone) J Edwards 9-10-10 P Barton
7 1-F111F FLAXEN TINA (C) (Mrs S Gee) J Webber 8-10-6 G Mernagh
9 22-00P0 GREENBANK PARK (C) (R Budge) R Parkins 9-10-1 G Williams
10 32-3313 ROYSCRIPT (G Hutsby) J Chugg 9-10-0 P Dever
11 133/0F22 LECKIE (W Whitbread) R Armytage 11-10-0 B Powell
12 F-U1220 BASHFUL LAD (Mrs F Parkes) M Oliver 11-10-0 R Dunwoody
13 4-03321 ROYSCAR (J Chanin) J Chanin 9-10-0 (6 ex) R Millman
14 0/3304F COLONEL CHRISTY (H O'Neill) H O'Neill 11-10-0 —
16 F2P13-P BAY FOREST (Mrs D Cheshire) Mrs E Kennard 8-10-0 S McNeill

7-2 Sam Wrekin, 9-2 Little Polveir, 5-1 Royscar, 6-1 Corbiere, Flaxen Tina, 8-1 Golden Knoll, Leckie, 10-1 Bashful Lad, 12-1 Greenbank Park.

3.0 MALDEN TIMBER (EBF) NOVICE HURDLE (QUALIFIER) (£3,158 2m) (25)

3 001 LAFOSSE (D) (R Hutchins) Mrs J Pitman 5-11-10 M Pitman
6 0P2010 FOXE'S CASTLE (K Dunn) K W Dunn 6-11-5 R Stronge
8 00341 ONE FOR MAMMY (C Roach) C Roach 5-11-5 B Wright
9 10 TENZING (D) (R Bott Wigmore St Ltd) O Sherwood 6-11-5 S Sherwood
10 0 ADMIRAL IRONSIDE (J Blair) P D Haynes 5-11-0 A Webb
21 00FPUF HIGHWOOD (J Clarke) B McMahon 6-11-0 T Wall
24 20322P INVISIBLE RING (C Smith) R Holder 5-11-0 P Murphy
26 00 JIMSINTIME (Intime Eng Ltd) R Brazington 5-11-0 C Jones
27 0 JOCKSER (S Lawther) J Webber 6-11-0 G Mernagh
28 0 MAGWA (NZ) (G Lugg) T Forster 5-11-0 H Davies
32 000/000- PINK PANTHER (T Panning) R Hollinshead 6-11-0P Scudamore
34 POLLEN BEE (Mrs L Dresher) O Sherwood 5-11-0 C Cox (4)
37 0 ROSS TYCOON (M Walker) J Spearing 5-11-0 P Warner
38 P ROVING GLEN (Mrs L Dresher) R Armytage 5-11-0 B Powell
39 004 ROYAL CEDAR (J Curtis) Mrs M Rimell 5-11-0 —
41 SHOOT TO WIN (T Hemmings) S Mellor 5-11-0G Charles-Jones
45 004 THE CAPO FAMIGLIA (Mrs B Curley) B Curley 6-11-0 D Murphy (4)
46 000-4 TROUT ANGLER (P Trant) Miss P O'Connor 5-11-0 C Warren (7)
48 4 WAIKIKI (BF) (Greentrees Securities Ltd) M Pipe 5-11-0P Leach
49 403 WHARRY BURN (Mrs G McFerran) I Dudgeon 5-11-0M Richards
50 00 WOODLAND SHADOW (J Mountford) Mrs M Rimell 6-11-0 —
53 0 H AND K HATTRICK (E Kirtland) D Gandolfo 5-10-9 —
54 P004-00 IVY ROYAL (Mrs P Bomford) P Bomford 7-10-9 R Dunwoody
56 0-00 LITTLE MYND (T Pearson) G H Jones 7-10-9 G Jones
57 302-400 NETHERDAR (R Micklethwait) W Wharton 6-10-9 M Brennan

11-4 Tenzing, 7-2 Lafosse, 4-1 One For Mammy, 6-1 The Capo Famiglia, 8-1 Waikiki, 10-1 Foxe's Castle, 12-1 Magwa, 14 others. Blinkers: 57.

3.30 PRINCETHORPE NOVICE CHASE (£2,496 2m 4f) (16)

2 FF2P-41 DUNCOMBE PRINCE (D) (J McDonough) J M Jefferson 7-11-8 —
3 0-2321F FUDGE DELIGHT (M Dorey) O Sherwood 7-11-8 S Sherwood
6 203144 MORICE (B Hartery) M C Pipe 8-11-8 P Leach
12 P CASTEL GANDOLFO (K Dunn) K W Dunn 9-11-12 R Stronge
21 0/00F-F EASTER NIGHT (M Wiles) T A Forster 8-11-2 H Davies
22 P/00PPP FIRST QUADRANT (USA) (Mrs E Richards) H O'Neill 8-11-2 —
23 F0 GENERAL CHERRY (A Sydenham) B Sevens 12-11-2 J H Davies
28 300/40-4 JOHN WELLBURN (T Clive) W Wharton 7-11-2 M Brennan
31 022F02 MAYANNCOR (G Wragg) R A Perkins 8-11-2 Dai Williams
47 0-000 VALIANT WOOD (Mrs R Fitch) S Mellor 6-11-2 M Harrington
49 BRIDGETOWN GIRL (Miss L Wood) J Webber 6-10-11G Mernagh
56 0F00-00 RUE-THE-DAY (Cherry Tree Stables) S T Harris 7-10-11J Frost
58 000/20-0 SPACE SPEAKER (Mrs M Bridgwater) K S Bridgwater 7-10-11W Worthington
59 00P0 YOUNG JILL (Mrs H Dowson) Mrs H Dowson 7-10-11J Suthern
60 040-030 NON-SMOKER (D Hodges) M C Pipe 5-10-7 J Lower (7)
61 PROVIDE (M Kingsley) S Mellor 5-10-7 G Charles-Jones

6-4 Fudge Delight, 3-1 Mayanncor, 4-1 Duncombe Prince, 6-1 Morice, 10-1 John Wellburn, 12-1 Valiant Wood, 14-1 others.

4.0 AIR WEDDING HUNTERS TROPHY (Hunter chase: amateurs: £1,030: 2m 4f) (14)

1 233120- RUGY (D) (R Weaving) R Weaving 10-12-8 J Wrathall (7)
2 ARTIC PUSH (B Lay) B Lay 7-12-2 L Lay (7)
4 300/00P CELTIC TUDOR (J Hankinson) J Hankinson 10-12-2J Hankinson (7)
5 1P- GOLDEN CASINO (M Barthorpe) M Barthorpe 8-12-2S Andrews (4)
7 002/P40- LONE SOLDIER (Mrs J Docker) Mrs J Docker 14-12-2R Mann (4)
8 0000U/8- MAILED FIST (Mrs P Mullen) Mrs P Mullen 11-12-2G Hanmer (7)
9 41FF-00 ROBBERY ROAD (N B Jones) N B Jones 9-12-2 N Jones (7)
10 ROCK CANDY (Mrs P Jones) Mrs P Jones 10-12-2 —
11 P/32030- SIOBHANS JOY (Mrs C Janaway) Mrs C Janaway 11-12-2 G Maundrell
14 R0P/0P1- UPPER TEN (D) (J Hewitt) R Perkins 12-12-2 R Hewitt (7)
15 FP0P WREMANDO (P Millington) P Millington 12-12-2 P Millington (7)
16 P- GRAYROSE ACADEMIC (Dr G Jones) E H Owen Jun 8-11-11
17 00/P-0 HORKEY (H Copley) H Copley 9-11-11 A Walton (7)
18 310/03F- WISE LADY (D) (Mrs C Jane Stallard) N Oliver (4) Mrs C Jane Stallard 10-11-11

5-2 Rugy, 3-1 Wise Lady, 4-1 Golden Casino, 6-1 Upper Ten, 8-1 Rock Candy, 10-1 Lone Soldier, 12-1 others. Blinkers: 7, 11, 14.

4.30 EBF NH FLAT RACE (£1,578: 2m) (28)

3 AS YOU LIKE IT (M Trusler) M Trusler 5-11-6Miss S Belcher (7)
5 BASRULLAH (Mrs P W Harris) P W Harris 5-11-6 P Skyme (7)
6 BAYMOUNT (J Needham) J Needham 5-11-6 A Hulburd (7)
21 NOT ARCADIAN (R Fry) J Old 5-11-6 Mr C Llewellyn (7)
25 PRINCE METTERNICH (R England) S Avery 5-11-6 —
27 RAGENS BOY (D Edwards) O O'Neill 5-11-6 T Williams
29 ROSE HUSSAR (Maj F Phillips) Mrs M Rimell 5-11-6Mr M Price (7)
38 THAMES TRADER (H Booty) P Haynes 5-11-6 P Corrigan (7)
39 THATS FOR SURE (Brig C Harvey) D Nicholson 5-11-6Mr A King (7)
43 GRANGE HILL GIRL (J Owen) J Jefferson 5-11-1 —
48 NEOCENE (Mrs E Williams) J O'Donoghue 5-11-1 Mr D Tosdevin
53 RIPPLING FLAME (J Mahon) J Mahon 6-11-1 Mr J Weston
56 ALL INTENT (USA) (G Harwood) G Harwood 4-10-10Miss A Harwood (7)
58 ARCTIC CAVALIER (Segray Properties Ltd) Mrs J Pitman 4-10-10S Selby (7)
61 FIGHTING LAD (P Naret-Barnes) W Kemp 4-10-10G Norton (7)
63 FREE SKY (W Price) W Price 4-10-10 A Price (7)
67 KING NIMROD (J Charlton) N Gaselee 4-10-10 —
70 ONE TRACK MIND (Miss J Eaton) Mrs J Eaton 4-10-10 —
71 PIKEMAN (Mrs J Olivant) D Elsworth 4-10-10 D Hosey (7)
73 RUSH THE BANK (B Cantle) W Kackie 4-10-10 —
78 THE A TRAIN (M Obersaan) Mrs J Pitman 4-10-10M O'Callaghan (7)
80 THE GREY FERGY (A Dickinson) M Dickinson 4-10-10 J D Davies
82 BELS ANGEL (N Connop) R Hollinshead 4-10-5 D Carcary (7)
84 ETHELS COURSE (Lt-Col D Pain) D Moffatt 4-10-5 —
87 HIGHER STILL (W Bland) W Kemp 4-10-5Mr D Benneyworth (7)
88 LIZZY LONGSTOCKING (Miss L Wonnacott) D Wonnacott Mrs J Wonnacott 4-10-5 D Wonnacott
90 MISS POTICAL (J Colston) J Colston 4-10-5 W Hayes (7)
94 ROVING SEAL (D Bell) C Popham 4-10-5 Miss S Lawrence (7)

7-2 Arctic Cavalier, 4-1 Thames Trader, 5-1 Thats For Sure, 6-1 Rose Hussar, 8-1 All Intent, 10-1 Pikeman, The A Train, 12-1 Bels Angel, 14-1 others.

● Peter Scudamore's successful weekend was rounded off yesterday with the news that he has been voted A T Cross Jockey of the Month for the second consecutive month.

● Robert Byrne, aged 19, brother of the former Irish Champion, Joe Byrne, is the A T Cross Conditional Jockey of the Month, following what David Wintle described as the riding performance of the season when steering Chalkie's Pet to victory at Wolverhampton in the Chadsmoor Handicap Hurdle on January 22.

Fontwell results

Going Soft.

1.30 (2m 2f ch): 1. FEARLESS IMP (D Wells 3-1) 2. Braven (M Bosley 9-4 Fav); 3. Plash (R.Guest 10-1): Also ran: 7-2 Paddy O'Malley (F), 8 Southdown Sprit (4th), 16 Topon (5th), 20 Henry Geary Steels (F), Oliver Hardy (6th), 25 Bold Argument (R). 9 ran. 12 l, dist, ½l, 10l. R Shepherd, Devizes. Tote win £4.70; £1.30, £1.10, £2.60: DF £5.00: CSF £9 88.

2.0 (2m 4f hdle): 1. MY DOMINION (J Lower Evens Fav): 2. San Carlos (R Rowe 7-1); 3. Accuracy (H Davies 6-1) 3. Also ran: 4 Christo (5th), 12 Sylvan Joker, 14 Man O Magic (4th), 16 Mr Avenger (P U), 20 Miss Magnestism (F), 50 Film Service (P U), Hopeful Kypo (6th) 10 Ran. 4l, 1l, 1½l, ¾l, 8l. M Pipe, Wellington. Tote: £2.40, £1 40, £1 10 £2.90 DF: £4 40, CSF: £9 43.

2.30 (2m 2f 110yd ch): 1. GRAIGUENAMANAGH (R Rowell 10-1); 2. Cresum (R Dunwoody 4-1) 3. Bright Morning (J Akehurst 14-1) Also ran. Evens Fav Captain Dawn (U R) 8 Palatinate (F) 10 Zelda's Fancy (P U), 16 Don't Touch (4th), 20 Downpayment (5th) 8 ran. ½l, 6l. Miss L Bower Alresford. Tote £7.20, £1 30 £2 00 £2.30 DF £15 50

3.0 (2m 2f hdle): 1. KILCHA GIRL (J Lower 7-2 FAV); 2 Golden June (C Gray 33-1) 3. Par Savvy (H Jennins 10-1); Also ran 11-2 Trojan God 7 I'm Amazing 15-2 Dalung, 8 Happy Cash, 10 Alcazaba, Edwin's Princess, 14 Song of Chrisse, Terra di Siena, 16 Breakfast Car (F), 20 Charleston George (4th) Court Jewel, Move Along (P U), 33 John Star, Thamuud (5th), Wont Be Told (P.U.), Kham Hawk (6th), Maiden Bidder (P U) 20 RAN 15l. 8l. 1½l, 3l, 5l. M Pipe, Wellington. Tote: £3.90; £2 00 £28.20 £3 40 D/F (Winner or 2nd with any other) £1.60. CSF £124.28.

3.30 (3m 2f 110y ch). 1. BROWN VEIL (Miss G Armytage 7-2), 2 The Joessee (A Webb 7-1). 3 The Duise (C Mann (100-30 fav); Also ran: 10 Royal Gambit (F), 12 Harlow Mill (P/U), Jymano (F), Maitredee (P/U), Nemo Kybo (P/U), Specto Solis (F) 16 Gergamel (F). 20 Morton The Hatter (4th), 25 Lollys Patch (F), Western Border (F), 33 Grants Castle (P/U), Prince Sanc (P/U). 15 ran. 7 L, 20l, not taken. R Armytage, East Ilsley. Tote: £4 10, £1.20, £4.70 £1.80 Dual Forecast: £21 00 CSF: £29.89

4.00 (2m 4f hdle): 1. INLANDER (J Lovejoy 100-30); 2 Lir (G Moore 16-1) 3. Hal's Prince (R Rowe 14-1), 4, Rheffanesa (A Webb 6-1): Also ran. 11-4 Fav Come On Grace (6th), 9-2 Court Green (PU), 10 Mighty Steel, 14 High Heaven, 5th, 16 British Crown, 20 War and Peace, 25 Corvina, Divine Truth, Linton (R), 33 It m For Gala, Skip Up (U), Here s The Doc 16 ran. 8l, 1l, ¾l, Hd, 12l. J D Davies, Epsom Tote: £4 20; £2 10, £3.30, £1 60. £2.90; DF £66.10. CSF: £57 93. Tricast £639 50.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead): Ross Morgan, Royal Botin, Riby Tara, Stella Pride, El Capestrano Dawn, Oonagh's Fancy, Inset Lady, Dalweb, Fleet Brig.

Wolverhampton

GOING: Chase Course, good to soft: Hurdles, soft

1.45 (2m hdle) 1. DAN RAISE (M Pitman 3-1); 2. Grundy Lane (P Leach, 11-8 fav); 3. Vulrory's Clown (M Brennan, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 6-1 Lady Woodpecker 4th, 12-1 Singing Boy, 14-1 Golden Flame 6th, 20-1 Homeley, 33-1 Mrs Foley, Okaadh, 50-1 Brown Beau, Harley Street Man 5th, Ross Tycoon, Lady Chou, Light Venture), Badingham Boy, Red Baroness, Coded Love .17 Ran. 1l, 3l, 12l, 25l, 7l. Mrs J Pitman at Upper Lambourn. Tote : £3.70. £1.30 £1.10 £1.80 DF: £7.80. CSF: £7.76.

2.15 (3m ch) 1. STEARSBY (P Scudamore, Evens fav); 2. Poplar Square (Mr M Price, 33-1); 3. Pilcrahvie (N Doughty, 4-1) ALSO RAN : 10-1 Midnight Madness (F), 12-1 Haven Air 4th, 14-1 Fame The Spur (P-U), Roadman (P-U) Scotch Princess (U-R), 20-1 Gonzo (P-U), 25-1 Something Special (REF), 33-1 Barney (P-U), Come On sonny (5th), Scaldara (F), Duvessa (F) . 14 Ran 10l 10l. 5, dist. Mrs J Pitman at Upper Lambourn. Tote : £1.90; £1.30, £4.40. £2.00. DF: £53.40. CSF: £40.79

2.45 (3m 1f ch) 1. KING BA BA (P Scudamore, 2-1 fav); 2. Cottage Rhythm (P Corrigan.); 3 Skegby (M Brennan, 7-2) ALSO RAN: 4-1 Dalator (F), 8-1 Charles Duke (P-U), 20-1 Pampas Melody (P-U) .6 ran. NR: Master Tercel. 25 l, 1½l. R Gow at Dorking Tote: £2.10; £1.30, £2.30. DF £8.50. CSF £10.22

3.15 (2m 4f ch) 1. MANNA REEF (P Barton, 6-1); 2. Lewis Estates (J Bryan, 13-2); 3. Crickstown (D Coakley, 7-2) . ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Back in Action 5th, 7-2 Johns Present (F), 12-1 Hazy Day, 16-1 Handylad, 20-1 Essex 6th, 33-1 Backlog 4th, 50-1 Paperacer (F), Hanachow (P-U) . 11 Ran. 2½l, 1½l, 4l, 10l, Hd. J Edwards at Ross on Wye. Tote : £3.40: £1.90, £1.50, £2.10. DF: £16.30. CSF: £43.23 TRICAST: £145.13

3.45 (2m hdle) 1. ROARK (P Leach, 10-11 fav); 2. Infinity Rules (M Harrington, 11-2); 3. Prince Rambaro (J Bryan, 14-1) . ALSO RAN: 3-1 Crox de Guerre 6th, 14-1 Crooning Berry 5th, 33-1 Autonome, 50-1 Brigadier Blakeney 4th, River Trout (P.U.), Free Perch (P.U.), Sudden Light (P.U.), Little Dimple (F), Marab, Penllyne's Pride, Plumbers Mate, Lady Oryx . 15 ran. NR: Golden Redeemer, Chelsea Man. 10l, 6l, sh hd, 1l, 4l. M Pipe at Wellington. Tote : £1.80, £1.40, £2.00, £1.60 DF: £6.00. C.S.F. £6.37

4.15 (2m 4f hdle) 1. THE LIQUIDATOR (P Leach, 7-2); 2. Lady Tut (R Crank, 25-1); 2. Celtic Time (P Scudamore, 25-1); 4, Centre Attraction (7 N Doughty, 14-1) . ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Vantage, 5-1 Mister Boot 5th, 8-1 Magic Mink, 16-1 Mitalini, County Player, Stars and Stripes 6th, 20-1 H And K Gambler, James My Boy, Shoutout, Sir Lucky (P U), 25-1 Gun-Carriage (P.U.). 33-1 Eamons Owen, Rueful Lady, Johnston's Baby, Glen Maye . 19 ran NR: Juvenile Prince. 7l, 3l, 1l, 15l, ¾l M Pipe at Wellington. Tote. £5.50, £2.40, £2.20, £6.30, £2.30. DF: £37.30. C.S.F £90.81. Tricast £1.8833,72. PLACEPOT: £8.50.

CARLISLE

Going: heavy

1.15 KINGMOOR HANDICAP CHASE (£1,192:2m) (8 runners)

1 2033-PP SNOW BLESSED (C Alexander) C Alexander 9-11-10 D Dutton
2 2123-32 IVACOP (Lord MacAndrew) Denys Smith 7-11-4 S Charlton
3 1342-02 RAM THE THOR (C-D)(BF) (Mrs F Walton) F Walton 11-11-3 Mr J Walton
4 3/3F403 SLASHER (Mrs G Fairbairn) G Fairbairn 12-11-0 T G Dun
7 402132- PARK TOWER (D) (Lt-Col W Monteith) P Monteith 8-10-6D Nolan
8 341P10 SAUCEPOT (C-D) (W Gibb) G Richards 8-10-6 N Doughty
9 1-3300U TAILORED TO TASTE (D) (Mrs M Greenshields) M Naughton 7-10-0 M Hammond
12 0220U0 MASTER CROFT (Hitchens for Kitchens Ltd) D McCain 9-10-0K Doolan 4

9-4 Ram The Thor, 100-30 Ivacop, 4-1 Slasher, 11-2 Saucepot, 8-1 Parktower, Tailored To Taste, 12-1 others.

1.45 WETHERAL SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE(£742:2m 330 yd)(19)

3 3324/1P-F NO MYSTERY (Durham Inns Ltd) R Gray 10-11-6 S Charlton
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9 F000-40 JARALL (J Mitchell) J Mitchell 6-11-3 J Goulding
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11 00P/00-0 SON OF MANADO (J Wade) J Wade 6-10-11 —
12 ALBANY VICTOR (R Taylor) J Rowlands 10-10-10 Mr G Harker 4
14 300340 NITE OF SPRING (D Green) Miss Z Green 8-10-9 Jayne Thompson
15 PF0/U0 SAUCY TARTAN (G Pickering) Mrs G Reveley 8-10-8 N Doughty
16 00/00-6 HECKLEY HINNY (J Walton) F Walton 6-10-7 Mr J Walton
17 4/04-300 GO LISSAVA (B Bailey) R Peacock 8-10-6 D Dutton
18 004P-P0 HEAVENLY PRINCESS (J Skelton) J Skelton 8-10-6 Sharon James (7)
19 020-000 SOCHER (M Bowker) M Bowker 5-10-6 E Conroy 7
20 030-033 ASCOT AGAIN (Mrs D Ferrett) J P Smith 10-10-6 P A Farrell
21 020-P00 QUEENSBURY LIZ (J Ball) R Jeffrey 5-10-6 P Tuck
23 U00000- MISS KRUGERRAND (R Jeffrey) R Jeffrey 8-10-6 J Brough 7
24 00-040 LITTLE NEWINGTON (M Pound) N Bycroft 5-10-6M Richards 7
25 00000/ MAY SIGN (R Evans) A Brisbourne 7-10-6 M Brisbourne

9-2 Golden Holly, 5-1 Ascot Again, 11-2 San of Manado, 6-1 Nite of Spring, 8-1 No Mystery, Alex Choice, 10-1 Perfect Image, Socher, 12-1 Saucy Tartan, 14-1 others. Blinkers: 14, 17, 18, 20.

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1.15 Ivacop. 1.45 Golden Holly. 2.15 Joe's Fancy. 2.45 Vale Of Secrecy. 3.15 The Thinker. 3.45 Mr Chris.

2.15 BET WITH THE TOTE NOVICE CHASE (QUALIFIER) (£1,156:3m)(9)

1 P0-1001 LADY LAWYER (C) (T Brockbank) J Brockbank 8-11-5 T G Dun
3 0F-2122 TULLAMARINE (W Stevenson-Taylor) G Richards 9-11-3 N Doughty
4 3334F1 JOE'S FANCY (P Liddle) P Liddle 8-10-12 G Martin 7
5 U3/0014- BOSTON BOY (M Oldham) R Woodhouse 9-10-10 R Balfour 7
6 1-0U3U0 FINE STEEL (Mrs P Browne) B McLean 8-10-10 R Earnshaw
9 0-00PFP MUST FLY (G Turner) W A Stephenson 8-10-10 R Lamb
10 0-00402 WARDSOFF (R Thorburn) T Cuthbert 9-10-10 M Barnes
11 00-0F0P CRAMMOND BRIG (W Jackson) M W Easterby 9-10-5 P Tuck
12 3FP42P TIMELESS FLIGHT (I Mennie) B McLean 8-10-5 A Brown

2-1 Joes Fancy, 11-4 Tullamarine, 7-2 Lady Lawyer, 7-1 Wardsoff, 10-1 Crammond Brig, 12-1 Timeless Flight, 14-1 others. Blinkers: 1, 10

2.45 MALDEN TIMBER (EBF) NOVICE HURDLE (QUALIFIER) (£1,800:2m 330 yd)(15)

1 043-1 MAGWOOD (Mrs E Borthwick) C Parker 6-11-5 S Turner (7)
2 0213 RINUS (C-D) (A Proos) D McCain 5-11-5 —
3 403301 WALLSIDE HARBOUR (T Jeffrey) T Jeffrey 5-11-5 Mr T Jeffrey
4 40-2230 AMADIS (BF) (T Wilson) T Barron 6-11-0 R Earnshaw
5 00-0004 ANOTHER GEAR (W A Stephenson) W A Stephenson 6-11-0 S Mitchell 7
8 CRUISING HOME (T Dalgetty) T Dalgetty 7-11-0 J K Kinane
10 4P FROM CLARE-TE-HERE (J Harrop & Co Ltd) R Jeffrey 5-11-0 J Brough
11 00-00 MAGICAL MOMENT (A Carruthers) N Bycroft 6-11-0 M Richardson 7
14 000 ROYAL REPLY (W Reed) W Reed 6-11-0 Mr T Reed
15 3000-0 SPARTAN FLASHBACK (N Jaffer) R Fisher 7-11-0 —
16 111 VALE OF SECRECY (Mrs D Miller) R Fisher 5-11-0 —
17 00 WATER WAGTAIL (W A Stephenson) W A Stephenson 5-11-0 R Lamb
18 4002-00 CHEENY'S BRIG (A Mactaggart) B Mactaggart 6-10-9 P Tuck
20 DUMBSTRUCK (O Slingsby) A Brisbourne 6-10-9 M Brisbourne
21 0 HENNY PENNY (Mrs P Shrubsole) P Monteith 6-10-9 D Nolan

15-8 Vale Of Secrecy, 3-1 Magwood, 9-2 Rinus, 6-1 Wallside, 8-1 Amadis, 10-1 Another Gear, 12-1 others.

3.15 STANWIX HANDICAP CHASE (£2,148:3m) (10)

1 1112-PP MR SNUGFIT (C-D) (A Greenwood) M W Easterby 9-12-7 P Tuck
5 212-12U THE THINKER (BF) (T McDonagh) W A Stephenson 8-11-6 R Lamb
7 113-000 WORTHY HEIRESS (E H Robson) E H Robson 11-11 -T G Dun
9 0-40314 RUN'N FLY (C-D) (Mrs A Mactaggart) A Mactaggart 11-10-11 S Charlton
13 32-0420 CHETEL (C-D) (R Brewis) R Brewis 12-10-7 A Brown
14 232P33 BUSH GUIDE (D) (Mrs V Jackson) J Alder —
10 105 Miss V Jackson
15 00P-234 IMPERIAL BLACK (C-D) (T Webster) D McCain 10-10-3 —
16 2-2241F SOLARES (C-D) (J Berry) J Berry 6-10-0 —
17 43121/P STARMASE (C-D) (R Wilson) W McGhie 11-10-0 Mr K Anderson
20 0-33000 CAPTAIN PARKHILL (D) (B McLean) B McLean 13-10-0R Earnshaw

3-1 The Thinker, 7-2 Bush Guide, 4-1 Mr Snugfit, 6-1 Run N'Fly, 8-1 Solares, Chetel, 12-1 Imperial Black, 16-1 others

3.45 HEATHERSGILL HANDICAP HURDLE (£992:3m 100 yd) (15)

2 00020-0 RANDOMLY (M Thompson) S Avery 7-11-12 —
7 0-P3312 FLYING OATS (USA)(BF) (W McGhie) W McGhie 6-11-1 Mr K Anderson 7 6-11-1
8 F00100- JOHN NORTH (G Turner) W A Stephenson 6-11-0 R Lamb
9 0-00003 CALIRA (Mrs J Benson) Miss M Benson 7-10-13 Mr T Reed
12 4-303U4 VULBUCK (Mrs A Hore) D Moffatt 8-10-12 K Teelan (4)
16 010F-40 TABERNA LORD (C)(BF) (Warwick Lodge) D Moorhead 5-10-3 —
18 21000- SCOTFEN (A Crowe) A Scott 8-10-1 C Hawkins
19 0-32310 FROSTY TOUCH (C) (Mrs E Slack) Mrs E Slack 8-10-0R Earnshaw
20 424410 TIPO STYLE (D Ellis) P Bevan 5-10-0 —
22 34/0003 HAWORTH PARK (Miss J Seaborn) Miss J Seaborn 7-10-0 A Webb
23 40/3000 MR CHRIS (CDL 44 Foods Ltd(Mr Chris)) M H Easterby 7-10-0 D Dutton
24 023-100 REMAINDER WYN (C) (M Bowker) M Bowker 5-10-0
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27 230-404 VICTORY MORN (Mrs E Dixon) J Dixon 10-10-0K Doolan 4

2-1 Taberna Lord, 9-2 Scotfen, 6-1 Flying Oats, 7-1 Calira, 8-1 John North, 9-1 Haworth Park, Tipo Style, Mr Chris, 14-1 Vulbuck, 16-1 others

Law Report February 4 1986

Damages awarded to train driver after accident

Wigg v British Railways Board

Before Mr Justice Tucker

[Judgment given January 31]

A train driver was entitled to succeed in his claim for damages for shock and trauma suffered when he came upon the body of a person very soon after it had been struck down by a door on the train he was driving as it pulled away from a station and the driver had descended from his cab to search for the victim.

It was reasonably foreseeable by the defendants that the driver would behave as he did, that there was a risk he might suffer nervous shock as a consequence, and that they were in breach of the duty of care they owed him.

Mr Justice Tucker so held in the Queen's Bench Division when he found that the plaintiff suffered nervous shock as a consequence of his experience immediately after the accident, and awarded him damages of £4,000 plus interest and agreed special damages, and costs, against his employers, the British Railways Board, after an accident on the evening of December 16, 1981, at Thorpe Bay Station, Essex, in which the victim had died.

Mr Allan Gore for the plaintiff; Mr F.J.M. Marr-Johnson for the board.

MR JUSTICE TUCKER said that the plaintiff had been employed by the defendants for 32 years, 20 as a train driver. On the day of the accident he started the train from the platform after he had received the signal from his guard that it was safe to move off.

The train was brought to a halt by the emergency brakes after it had travelled about 2½ carriage lengths. The victim was attempting to board the train as it moved off, the carriage door was open and, since he held on to the door handle, he was dragged along the platform until he fell between it and the train.

The plaintiff searched the track and found the victim whom he unwittingly believed was alive; he began to speak to him to comfort him until help arrived. He remained at the edge of the platform for at least 10 minutes and, according to a witness, began to tremble from shock.

The guard should have seen the open carriage door, was negligent in causing the train to start and his negligence caused the accident for which the defendants were vicariously liable.

His Lordship derived from *McLoughlin v O'Brian* (1983] 1 AC 410) the principles, *inter alia*, that a claim for nervous shock caused by negligence could succeed if the plaintiff satisfied the strict test of proximity by sight or hearing: that cases should not be judged by policy considerations but on their own merits: that the fundamental question in each case was one of reasonable foreseeability; where the plaintiff came upon a serious accident involving numerous people and acted as a rescuer of those involved: that the plaintiff was assumed to be a person of normal disposition and phelgm (see *per* Lord Bridge of Harwich at pp441 D-F and 443 A-E).

The defendants conceded it was foreseeable a driver would get out of his cab, would help to search for the body, might come across it, and, in the present case, might come upon the consequences of the accident very soon.

But they claimed it was not foreseeable that train drivers of reasonable firmness would have suffered nervous shock, and added that the plaintiff had had two previous experiences of death on the track in 1979 and 1980.

His Lordship found that the plaintiff had done more than the ordinary disinterested bystander would do; he searched for and found the victim, he remained near him and offered words of comfort; if he had remained alive, as the plaintiff believed he was, his presence would have been of great support to him.

The plaintiff could be described as a rescuer in the circumstances but in any event, that was unnecessary since the nervous shock suffered was reasonably foreseeable.

Solicitors: Robin Thompson & Partners, Ilford; Mr Michael G. Baker, St Pancras.

Defence should have been left to jury

Regina v Renouf

Where a defendant was charged with reckless driving, and the acts alleged by the prosecution to amount to recklessness also amounted to reasonable force for the purpose of assisting in the arrest of an offender, he might avail himself of the defence afforded by section 3(1) of the Criminal Law Act 1967.

The Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) (Lord Justice Lawton, Mr Justice Hollings and Mr Justice Michael Davies) so held on January 31, allowing an appeal by John William Renouf against his conviction at Winchester Crown Court (Mr Justice Bristow and a jury) of reckless driving.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that the appellant was driving his car in pursuit of a Volvo motor car containing persons who had committed an arrestable offence. The police had been called.

The appellant carried out a manoeuvre which made the Volvo go on to the grass verge and stop. He said he had done that to make sure that the car and its occupants were still there when the police arrived.

The evidence relating to edging the Volvo off the road was what the prosecution said was the reckless driving as charged.

The appellant submitted that in so doing he was "using such force as [was] reasonable in the circumstances in . . . assisting in the lawful arrest of offenders", thus putting forward a defence which should have been left to the jury.

The case had to be considered in the light of the evidence which had two facets: the acts of recklessness alleged by the prosecution; and that those same acts amounted to the use of reasonable force for the purpose of assisting in the lawful arrest of offenders.

Only when evidence had those two facets could section 3(1) of the Act apply. On the unusual facts of the case, the judge should have left the appellant's defence to the jury.

Justices can override counsel's wishes

Regina v Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court, Ex parte McGinley

Same v Same, Ex parte Spiro

Same v Same, Ex parte Lynch

Where both the prosecution and the defence made representations for separate trials, magistrates still had a discretion to order a joint trial.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Skinner) so held on January 29, dismissing the applications for judicial review by way of *certiorari* by three defendants who had been convicted under section 5 of the Public Order Act 1936. They claimed that justice had not been done because, *inter alia*, insufficient weight had been given to the fact that both the prosecution and the defendants wanted separate trials.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that the circumstances in which separate trials should be ordered was considered by the House of Lords in *Clayton v Chief Constable of Norfolk and Others* ([1983] 2 AC 473).

Although it was assumed in that case that the prosecution would always be in favour of a joint trial, it was conceded by counsel for the defendants that the same rules applied in the present case.

The facts were sufficiently connected to make a joint trial appropriate and his Lordship could see no greater risk to the defendants than if all had been tried successively by the same magistrate on the same day.

Attempts to buy time

Ex parte Karim

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The Court of Appeal (Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Stephen Brown and Mr Justice Woolf) so stated on January 27 when dismissing an application for leave to move for judicial review.

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THORNDON - On 2nd February to Penelope (nee Lloyd) and Adam, a son, Edward William Peter, in Melbourne, Australia.

TURNER. On January 30th to Jeanna (nee Farquharson) and Tim, a daughter, Florence Lucy, a sister for Tinah.

WILSON on 23rd Jan in Canada, to Anne and Richard (formerly Mark End, Godalming) a son Michael.

YATES on January 26, to Jane (nee Lloyd-Davies) and David, a son Richard Hugh Douglas, brother for William.

DEATHS

ADAMS on January 24, Arline Maud aged 93, widow of Dr Basil Adams of Wotton-under-Edge, Glouc.

BALCOMBE - On February 3rd peacefully at home, Edwin Kesteven (Ted), aged 84 Beloved husband of the late Jane Will be sadly missed by his children, John and Jacqueline, Ann and David, Philip and Margaret, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sister Lily and brother-in-law Coleman Funeral Hoot Lane Crematorium, 12 noon February 4th Prayers 6.30pm the same evening West London Synagogue, Upper Berkeley Street, W1.

BRANDT - on 30th January 1986 after a short illness, R.A. 'Rob' Brandt of West Hampstead Enquiries to Leverton & Sons 01-387 6075.

COX - on January 30th, 1986 peacefully at Basingstoke District Hospital, Barbara Elizabeth aged 74, dearly loved wife of Nigel and loving mother of Timothy and Rosemary. Funeral service at St Mary's, Upton Grey on February 7th at 2.30 p.m. followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to St Mary's Church Upton Grey Restoration Fund, c/o Vicarage, Upton Grey.

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DIXEY On January 31st, in her 93rd year, Helen Margaret, mother of Dr Roger Dixey. Funeral at Streatley Church, Monday February 10th at 11.00 am.

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ELLISON on January 31st 1986 at Bovcombe Hospital, Camilla wife of the late Major T F Ellison M C Further enquiries to Brian Wilton Funeral Directors, 156 Tuckton Road, Bournemouth Tel Bmouth 428 536.

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Today's television and radio programmes

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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.55 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, the Junior Advice line at 7.32, followed approximately an hour later by the adult version; gardening advice from Alan Titchmarsh; and a recipe from Glynn Christian. The guest of the day is the leader of the House of Lords, Lord Whitelaw
9.20 Ceefax 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Ceefax
12.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale, includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55 Regional news and weather
1.00 Pebble Mill at One. In the foyer today are Marc and Karen Adams Jones with Desmond Wilcox who made the series about their first year of marriage; Su Pollard who sings the series's theme tune. **1.45 Chock-a-Block** A See-Saw programme for the very young (r)
2.00 The Goode Kitchen. Shirley Goode makes a five-minute pizza and illustrates the versatility of yoghurt **2.15 The Parent Programme.** Coping with post-natal depression is the subject of this afternoon's programme **2.30 Ceefax 3.52 Regional news**
3.55 Postman Pat 4.10 Jimbo and the Jet Set. Cartoon series **4.15 Jackanory.** Jane Asher reads part two of The Railway Children **4.30 Bananaman 4.35 The Really Wild Show.** Terry Nutkins, Nick Davies and Chris Packham answer young viewers' nature questions
4.55 John Craven's Newsround 5.10 Grange Hill. Episode nine and Ziggy and Robbie plan a revenge on Imelda (Ceefax)
5.40 Fast Bill Oddie and his team settle more arguments
6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell
6.25 London Plus
6.35 Holiday 86, presented by Cliff Michelmore. Tom Savage reports on a safari holiday in Tanzania; John Carter on an out-of-season trip to Venice; and Bill Buckley on a walking holiday in the Yorkshire Dales
7.00 EastEnders. Sue and Ali make a pleasant discovery. (Ceefax)
7.30 One by One. Part one of a repeat of the serial based on the Zoo Vet books. (Ceefax)
8.00 Points of View includes the results of the good handwriting competition
8.30 News with Julia Somerville and Andrew Harvey. Weather.
8.50 The Variety Club Awards, introduced by Terry Wogan and Ray Moore from the London Hilton.
10.20 Film 86. Barry Norman reviews the latest Walt Disney film, The Journal of Natty Gann, and The Quiet Earth; and speculates on the Oscar nominations, due to be announced tomorrow
11.50 The Sky at Night. Patrick Moore reports from space headquarters in Pasadena on the Voyager 2 probe to Uranus
12.20 Nothing But the Best. Part four of a parents' guide to secondary education
12.45 Weather

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Jayne Irving at 6.17, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; exercises at 6.20 and 9.17; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; regional report at 7.15; cartoon at 7.24; pop video at 7.54; film review at 8.34; Moya Doherty's reunions at 8.45; a discussion on fidelity at 9.04.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines
9.30 For Schools: words used when dealing with time. For the hearing impaired 9.50 Living in a valley 10.09 How loads are lifted 10.28 Beginners' German 10.48 How Parliament works 11.10 A day in the life of a physically handicapped child 11.27 All about air 11.44 English: The Shrinking of Treehorn, an animated story
12.00 Button Moon. Puppet adventures of the Spoon family 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets 12.30 The Sullivans.
1.00 News at One 1.20 Thames news with Robin Houston
1.30 Shine on Harvey Moon. Comedy drama serial about a serviceman coming to terms with civilian life after the Second World War. (r)
2.30 Daytime. How to keep the spark alive during a long-term relationship is discussed by, among others, Dagmar O'Connor, Claire Rayner and Molly Parkin 3.00 That's My Dog. Canine quiz 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 The Young Doctors.
4.00 Button Moon. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.10 The Telebugs. Cartoon series 4.20 The Telebugs Cartoon series 4.20 The Wind in the Willows. Animated series based on the tale by Kenneth Grahame (Oracle) 4.45 Splash. This week there are items on dog breeding and the Slimbridge Wildfowl Trust
5.15 Blockbusters. Bob Holness
5.45 News 6.00 Thames news
6.25 Reporting London. Michael Wilson reports from Southall on the Sikh population's fears of political unrest; and Lindsay Charlton examines London Transport's underground art
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Matt has been charged with murder. Is he really guilty?
7.30 Busman's Holiday. Quiz game for teams, presented by Julian Pettifer (Oracle)
8.00 Magnum. The detective is persuaded by a young woman to look for her brother.
9.00 Boon. The freelance troubleshooter finds a distraught woman in an overgrown garden. His offer of help leads to his discovering that it is not just the garden that is out of control (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten and weather Thames news headlines
10.30 First Tuesday: Peace People — The Dream That Died. The story of why the Northern Ireland peace movement ended in recriminations all round; **Sugar Ditch Alley.** A profile of Tunica, Mississippi, which still operates an apartheid system
11.30 Film: The £20,000 Kiss' (1962) starring Dawn Addams and Michael Goodliffe. An Edgar Wallace thriller about a pair of blackmailers who try to get their hooks into a successful lawyer and politician who has dreams of reaching high office. Directed by John Moxey
12.30 Night Thoughts



Adrian Edmondson: Eddie Monsoon (Channel 4, 10.50pm). Centre: public school masters: Busman's Holiday (ITV, 7.30). Right: Michael Elphick: Boon (ITV, 9.00pm)

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Science - The Planet Earth. Ends at 7.20
9.00 Ceefax
9.20 Daytime on Two: for the moderately mentally handicapped young adult 9.35 Leisure time in Spain 9.52 Maths 10.15 Chapter five of The Boy from Space 10.38 A car factory in Hiroshima 11.00 Chinese New Year celebrations in London and Manchester 11.17 Wairus 11.39 Is there a solution to the problem of famine? 12.00 The year of the French episode about the Spa Doctor 12.30 Lesson 15 of a German conversation course 12.55 **Ceefax** 1.20 Leisure time in France 1.38 Bridges that span the River Forth 2.00 For four- and five-year olds 2.15 A dramatization of a true story, set at the time of the Reformation, illustrating the problems that arose with the changing of the official English religion 2.40 Forecasting the weather
3.00 World Bowls. The Embassy World Indoor Bowls Championship.
5.30 News summary with subtitles. Weather
5.35 Fast Forward. Video fun
6.00 No Limits. Tony Baker and Jenny Powell report from Tunbridge Wells.
6.50 The Adventure Game. The ruler of Arg is challenged in tests of ingenuity by Ruth Madoc, Professor Heinz Wolff and Deborah Leigh Hall
7.30 The Strange Affair of ...The Doomsday Prophecies. Robert Symes investigates the dates predicted by various seers for the end of the world. One believes it will be on Thursday; others are more optimistic and suggest, variously, July 1999, 1991, and during the reign of the next Pope but one
8.00 Heroes. Eric Robson talks to Jane Grigson, The Observer's cookery correspondent, who includes Elizabeth David, Henry James and her late husband, Geoffrey, among her heroes
8.30 Food and Drink, presented by Chris Kelly, Michael Barry and Jill Goolden. There are items on the government's plans for nutritional labelling; eggs; vodka; and restaurant service charges
9.00 I, Claudius. Episode four and Germanicus returns to Rome in triumph after quelling the German tribes
9.55 Arena: Go-Go in Washington DC. A tour of Chocolate City, the name that the capital city has been christened by the black residents.
10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 Weather
11.35 World Bowls. An Embassy World Indoor Bowls Championship match between George Soula of Hong Kong and Ireland's Tom Reeves. Ends at 12.15

CHANNEL 4

2.30 Film: The Florentine Dagger' (1935) starring Donald Woods. Murder mystery about a man obsessed with the thought that he has inherited the murderous tendencies of his Borgia ancestors. Directed by Robert Florey
3.45 10 Million. The fourth and final programme in the series for the older viewer. Today's edition examines the high cost of hearing aids; the decline in National Health Service convalescent home facilities; and the change of legislation regarding opticians (Oracle)
4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's winner is challenged by Jeff Yates, a school caretaker from Partington, Cheshire
5.00 Bewitched. Panic ensues when Tabatha brings to life all the spooks in her picture book.
5.30 As Good As New. Part five of handyman Mike Smith's series on repairing broken or damaged furniture, and he returns to the writing desk he bought for £45 in the first programme. (Oracle)
6.00 Pop the Question. Pop nostalgia quiz. The two regular team captains, Chris Tarrant and David Hamilton, are joined by Nick Owen, Gemma Craven, Lizzie Webb and Carl Wayne
6.30 Danger Man. British intelligence agent, John Drake, is sent to North Africa to investigate the mystery surrounding an atomic energy plant where a large number of the staff have gone down with radiation sickness.
7.00 Channel Four news
7.50 Comment. With his views on a matter of topical importance is Harold Levy, a dental surgeon from Manchester. Weather
8.00 Brookside. Barry pretends to be his father when trying to raise a loan.
8.30 Take Six Cooks. The third course, fish, is prepared by Joyce Molyneux of the Carved Angel in Dartmouth. She makes John Dory with orange and mushroom stuffing, fillets of Dover sole with sorrel and herbs, and salmon in pastry with ginger and currants (Oracle)
9.00 Film: Boardwalk (1979) starring Lee Strasberg and Ruth Gordon. Drama about an elderly Jewish couple who have to face mounting harrassment and terror in their decaying Coney Island home. Directed by Stephen Verona
10.50 The Comic Strip Presents...Eddie Monsoon - A Life? Tony Bilbow interviews Eddie Monsoon, alias Adrian Edmondson, the most abusive South African television star (r)
11.25 Ghosts in the Machine. A selection of comedy videos. Ends at 12.20

Radio 4

5.55am Shipping 6.00 News Briefing; 6.10 Farming 6.25 Prayer(s) 6.30 Today, incl:6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News; 6.45 Business News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.00, 8.00 News 7.25, 8.25" Sport 7.45 Thought For The Day 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather; Travel 9.00 News.
9.05 Tuesday Call:01-580 4411 10.00 News: From Our Own Correspondents.
10.30 Morning Story: My Earthly Goods, by Donald Bancroft. Reader Rex Holdsworth.
10.45 Daily Service(s) 11.00 News; Travel. Thirty-Minute Theatre: BBC Radio Drama Company in Parting by Osen Holder.
11.33 The Living World: Wild Dogs of Italy. Packs of stray domestic dogs, adapted to the wild, hunt like wolves in the Italian countrysides. Luigi Boitani, David MacDonald, and Jeff Carr are attempting to discover why.
12.00 News: You and Yours, with Pattie Coldwell. **12.27 My Word!** Panel game with Dilys Powell and Frank Muir challenging Joan Bakewell and Denis Norden(s) 12.55 Weather: Travel.
1.00 The World At One: News
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping.
2.00 News; Woman''s Hour
3.00 News:The Afternoon Play. The Pact, by Henry Comor. With John Church and Gwen Cherrell. 4.00 News.
4.30 Kaleidoscope, Arts magazine (last night''s edition).
5.00 PM: News Magazine, 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather
6.00 News:Financial Report
6.30 Oh, Yes It is. A seven-part history of pantomime, narratged by Richard Briers(2) 7.00 News
7.20 File on 4. The Legacy of Jasmine Beckford. A report by Hugh Pryser-Jones on the reaction of social workers to the Blom Cooper reports on why the threat to a little girl was discovered too late.
8.00 Medicine Now(Geoff Watts)
8.30 The Tuesday Feature. Fireworks of the Senses. Trinidad''s annual carnival is a national celebration and a national obsession. Sarah Dunant reports.
9.00 In Touch. For people with a visual handicap.
9.30 Persona Grata. Gillian Reynolds talks about her favourite characters from fiction.
9.45 Kaleidoscope.
10.15 A Book At Bedtime: But for Bunter, by David Hughes(2). Reader:Denis Lill 10.29 Weather.
10.30 The World Tonight 11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00 News: Weather 12.33 Shipping.
VHF (available in England and S.Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel 11.00-12.00. For Schools 1.55-3.00pm. For Schools 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-time Broadcasting.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Morning Concert:Stravinsky (Scherzo a la Russe); Ravel(La Valse); Stravinsky(Suite No 1 for small orchestra); Poulenc (Sextet); Rimsky-Korsakov (The Snow Maiden suite). 8.00 News.
8.05 Debussy (string Quartet in G minor, Op 10); Shostakovich (Cello Concerto No 1.with Rostropovich as soloist). 9.0 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Frescobaldi. Canzoni da Sonare. London Baroque.
9.45 Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields. Mendelssohn (Symphony No 12); Walton (Sonata
10.30 Brahms Choral Music. BBC Singers. Includes Three motets, Op 110.
11.15 Cello and piano: Raphael Sommer (cello)and Daniel Adni (piano). Schumann (Three Romances, Op 94); Dvorak (Silent Woods); Rachmaninov (Sonata in G minor, Op 19)
12.10 Midday Concert:BBC Scottish SO. With Teresa Cahill (soprano). Haydn (Symphony No 79);George Benjamin (A Mind of Winter). 1.00 News
1.05 Concert: part two.Mendelssohn (Symphony No 3).
1.50 Guitar Encores: Vladimir Mikulka. Villa-Lobos (Two Preludes)" Tansman(Danza Pomposa); Koshkin (Three bus stops on the road); Ruiz-Pipo (Cancion y Danza).
2.20 Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra: with Murray Peranhia (piano). Mozart (Piano Concerto No 23); Bruckner (Symphony No 7).
4.00 Beethoven Trios: Classical Piano Trio play the E flat, Op 1 No 1; and the B flat Op 11. 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for pleasure: with Brian Kay.
6.30 Songs of the Trouveres: works by Conon de Bethune; Gace Brule, and Blondel de Nesle.
7.00 Lutoslawski: Alberni String Quartet playthe Quartet.
7.30 BBC Philharmonic: with Mischa Dichter (piano). Part one. Bax (Symphony No 7).
8.20 Tell us the Tricks: recruiting poems, compiled by John Scotney.
8.40 Concert: part two. Brahms Piano Concerto No 2.
9.40 Foggy Hair and Green Eyes: Peter Kavanagh reads Tom MacIntyre's short story.
10.00 Jazz Today: Charles Fox presents the Roland Perrin Sextet.
11.00 String Quartets of Dvorak: Quartet in E minor (Cypresses No 7); Quartet Movement in F; Two Waltzes, Op 54; Andante Appassionato; Bagatelles, Op 47.
11.45 Songs of Innocence and Experience: London Sinfonietta, with Robyn Archer. Settings of songs by Eisler, Weill and Umlauft.
11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.



Mairead Carrigan: on ITV, 10.30pm

Radio 2

News on the hour. Headlines 5.30 am,6.30, 7.30, and 8.30. Sports Desks, 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45(mf) only, 9.55. 4.00 am Charles Nove(s) 6.00 Ray Moore(s) 8.05 Ken Bruce(s) 10.30 Jimmy Young(s) 1.05 David Jacobs(s) 2.00 Gloria Hunniford(s) 3.30 Music All The Way(s) 4.00 David Hamilton(s) 6.00 Bob Holness(s) 8.00 Old Stagers(3.) Layton and Johnstone(s). 8.30 The Golden Years(s) 9.00 BBC Radio Orchestra(s) Sports Desks 10.00 On Cue Tony(note as copy)Radio snooker quiz. 10.30 The Name''s The Game(comedy battle of identi-wits) 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight(stereo from midnight) 1.00am Peter Dickson(s) 3.00k-4.00 A Little Night Music(s)

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30 am until 9.30pm and at 12 midnight. 8.0am Adrian John 7.30 Mike Read 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat(Frank Partridge) 12.45 Gary Davies(Top 40 discs) 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat 5.45 Bruno Brookes(Top 40 singles chart) 7.30 Janice Long incl 9.0 Paul Rambali and Ian Histop 10.00-12.00 John Peel VHF RADIOS 1 & 2: 4.00am As Radio 2 10.00pm as Radio 1 12.00-4.00 as Radio 2.

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BBC1 Wales 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 The Chris Stuart cha cha chat show. 10.20-10.50 Week in week out.11.45-12.15am Film 86. 12.15—12.20 News and weather. Scotland 10.20-10.30 Dotaman. 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland. 10.20-10.50 Six Seaside Towns. 11.20-11.50 The Sky at Night. 11.50-11.55 Weather. Northern Ireland 5.35-5.40 Today's sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 Charles in charge. 11.45-11.50 News and weather. England 12.00-12.30 East only East on two. 6.35-7.00 Regional news magazines.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 3.00-3.30 Questions 5.15-5.45 Sons and Daughters 6.00 Channel Report 6.35-7.00 Crossroads 11.30 The Champions 12.30 Closedown.

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Crossroads 6.25-7.00 News 11.30 Ironside 12.30am Closedown

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ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardens for All 1.20-1.30 News 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm 6.00 About Anglia 6.35 Crossroads 7.00-7.30 Bygones 11.30 Legman 12.30am Tuesday Topic, Closedown

HTV WEST As London except: 12.20pm-1.30 News 5.15-5.45 Mr Smith 6.00 News 6.35-7.00 Crossroads 8.00-9.00 Murder, She Wrote 11.30 Man in a Suitcase 12.30am Closedown

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TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News 5.15-5.45 Look Who's Talking 6.00 Northern Life 6.35-7.00 Crossroads 11.30 Barney Miller 12.00 Bedtime Book, Closedown

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A carnival of protest in Haiti

From Trevor Fishlock
St Marc, Haiti

President-for-life Jean Claude Duvalier, "Baby Doc", changed the name of Haiti's brutal and sinister special police force. But Haitians still call it the Tontons Macoutes, and its stock-in-trade is still terror and extortion.

Here in the seaside town of St Marc we were shown the bodies of two citizens shot the night before by the Macoutes.

People claimed that more had been killed and one man said it was hard to be sure of numbers after such shootings because bodies were sometimes dumped in the hills.

It was a dramatic day at St Marc. Anger, exuberance, fear,confusion and the evident ache for change made it a microcosm of Haiti's turmoil.

A large anti-Government demonstration was being called, a bold act after years of repression and a sign of the way the tide is running.

People were flocking in answer to the signal rung out on church bells. "Twenty-nine dead years with the Duvaliers. Not enough work, not enough food. It is time for it to end" a man of 22said bitterly. He had no English so he could not read the slogan on his tourist T-shirt—" It's better in Haiti".

A woman of 30 said: "We don't care who takes Duvalier's place. We want a better life and we want him out."

A schoolteacher, said:"We want the Americans to take over, and set up a democracy."Indeed,this seemed a popular idea with many people, though one or two noted thoughtfully that the Americans had been supporting the dictatorship for years.

There had been trouble in St Marc over the previous two days. People had barricaded the streets and looted food and medicine from a warehouse on the quay.

People said that on the first day of disturbances the local Tontons had opened fire. Then a strange thing happened. The Army disarmed the Macoutes and the soldiers were hailed as the people's protectors.

The sullen Macoutes, their fangs drawn, had slunk off. On Saturday, more Macoutes came in and started shooting. As well as the bodies shown here,there areseven people in hospital with bullet wounds.

By now 2000 people had gathered for the demonstration. A steel band banged out rhythm and the people danced and kicked up the dust, their faces filled with joy.

They hoisted the Stars and Stripes alongside the pre-Duvalier Haitian flag. They sang and chanted at the tops of their voices, the songs echoing the Creole slogans on rough placards —" Down with Duvalier"," Ddown with the dictator".

There was a tremedous din as people blew conches and banged tins and rattled sticks. As they marched and swayed they held aloft a coffin painted with the slogan Jean-Claude Cochon. Little boys jumped into the coffin and made faces.

It was a carnival of protest. The people had the fever of freedom. Spectators slapped each other in glee and laughed to see such fun.



A couple of soldiers on a motorcycle were spotted and mobbed as if they were pop stars. The crowd yelled "Vive l'Armee". Once the procession reached the end of town it turned around and started back up again.

But at last an Army patrol came along and told people to go home for their own safety. A soldier warnedthw people that the Macoutes would be back in town.

The crowd quickly dispersed and the streets grew suddenly quiet. After all the singing and the attention of the cameras the faces clouded over. The town was pervaded by nervousness.

Back in Port-au-Prince, the capital, there was a crowd in the backstreets shouting and singing. It was not a demonstration, but a prelude to the Mardi Gras festival.

People were swinging to the noise of the band. On the crowd's fringe was a Macoute.

Although it was dusk he wore dark glasses. He was a skinny man and he balanced the butt of his rifle on the buckle of his belt, while rotating his pelvis to the rhythm. He looked obscene and reptilian.

Although a symbol and perpetrator of bullying, misery and extortion, he was part of this happy crowd. He saw me and suddenly his lips parted in a terrible smile. It was as if a skull had grinned.

Britons hope to fly out today

Britons trapped in trouble-torn Haiti believe they could be flown out to Jamaica today.

The men - four from Kent the other from Sussex - are guests of the Haiti Rotary Club and were caught up in the riots.

Speaking on BBC local radio, Mr Paul Downes, a dentist, said that "it's eerie during the day because it seems so normal", but at night they can hear gunfire.

A colleague, Mr Andrew Davis, a chartered accountant from Gillingham, said in a message to his family: "There is absolutely no need to worry whatsoever. We're perfectly safe."

Together with the rest of the group, Mr Stephen Elliott, a Tonbridge policeman, Mr Andrew Dagger, a personnel officer from Ashford, and the leader of the group, Mr Ian Hesketh, of Eastbourne, Sussex, they hope to fly out to Jamaica today.

The Foreign Office said there were about 60 British residents in Haiti.

But it also issued advice to them: "Sit tight and keep your heads down."

North suffers in the snow

By Michael Horsnell

Drifting snow up to 10 ft deep brought further misery to the North, Wales and Scotland yesterday.

The severe weather continued to hit the Pennines and the Derbyshire Peak District hardest. Most major roads were closed and police said the only safe route was the M62.

In mid-Wales, high winds and snow drifts closed the A470 Merthyr to Brecon road at Storey Arms, and in Scotland the A939 Cockbridge to Tonintoul road and the A93 near Spittal of Glenshee were closed.

Freezing weather caused an underground explosion of methane gas and put two pits in south Wales out of action. No one was hurt but miners working a mile away from the blast were knocked over. Electricity engineers using helicopters where trying to restore power to isolated communities in the Buxton area after conditions worsened early yesterday, freezing lines and bringing down cables, affecting 600 households. About 1,500 homes lost power in the Ludlow area of Shropshire.

On the Continent, southern Europe began to return to normal

But fresh snowfalls and avalanches continued to paralyse parts of south east France. Two firemen were caught in an avalanche in the Ardeche

A soldier died and four were injured when an avalanche swept them away during a training exercise in the Alps near Bramans.

In Australia, a man was killed and a thousand homes destroyed when cyclone Winifred struck the north Queensland coastal areas; in Tlemcan, Algeria, four children were killed when a chimney collapsed in their classroom during a windstorm; and in Peru, at least twenty people died when the flooding River Tambo swept away the village of Maranchari.

Letter from Mexico City

Iron bars do not a prison make...

A year ago this week a Mexican drug gang kidnapped an undercover American narcotics agent, hammered an ice-pick into his skull and killed him. The drug boss accused of ordering the killing now languishes in a Mexico City jail in what a fellow prisoner describes as "five-star luxury".

The US-bound heroin and marijuana trafficking of 35-year-old Rafael Caro Quintero, is said by sources in Washington to have yielded a turn-over of one billion dollars during the 18 months before his capture.

Caro's cell is carpeted and has its own bathroom. He has a television and a video-cassette player, a refrigerator, a stove and a manservant.

The manservant — whom he calls 'mi nimo', or 'my boy' — is a good cook, one of whose duties is to prepare meals for the Zapata-moustachioed druglord and his frequent guests.

Caro's wife visits him inside his cell once a fortnight but, as the prison guards enjoy telling you, an assortment of elegant "lady friends" come on visits most days of the week.

The plush prison existence of Mexico's most famous Mafia boss has caused outrage among American officials. The head of an anti-drugs US congressional delegation which visited Mexico recently, Mr Charles Rangel, said he had been informed that Caro was allowed regularly out of prison for nights out in expensive Mexico City restaurants.

Mr Rangel gave as an example a wild party Caro is supposed to have attended recently in a luxury hotel to celebrate his birthday.

The Mexican authorities have denied Mr Rangel's claim but — as one lawyer here has remarked — in such a half-hearted manner as to leave room for doubt.

What is apparently certain is that at any given moment Caro will have several thousand dollars worth of cash with him in his cell.

This he used to dispense favours among his fellow-prisoners — who for the most part idolize him — and, more important, among the prison guards. He pays three senior guards 50,000 pesos, or £78 a day each to turn a blind eye to his more extravagant indulgences.

Caro is not Mexico's only prisoner VIP. The former head of the country's state-owned oil company, for example, was imprisoned nearly three years ago.

He too has frequent female visits, a limousine that draws up to his prison gates with gourmet meals and a tennis pro sent in to help him sharpen up his backhand.

"One would have thought a Mexican prison would be a terrible place," said Mr Rangel, "but it isn't if you have money."

Mr Rangel, however, is doing the Mexican prison system an injustice. Some jails are indeed a nightmare but as a rule the system is remarkably benign.

Cases have been reported of American and Canadian prisoners, repatriated to complete their sentences in their own countries, who have then asked to be sent back to their Mexican jails.

All prisoners are allowed intimate, undisturbed moments with the opposite sex. In the courtyard of one Mexico City prison there is a large block with curtained windows, outside which a large notice reads:"Visitas Intimas".

Other types of sport are also available to the inmates of Mexico City prisons.

Football is taken very seriously. Every year the inter-prison football cup arouses great excitement among prisoners and prison officials alike.

One prison governor has an impressive display of trophies on his sideboard. Proudly he explains his prisoners have consistently won the championship in recent years because the manager of the team is a Swiss long-term prisoner who, in the 1950s, was a member of his country's national team.

John Carlin

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh visit HMS Brazen in the Port of London, 12 noon.

The Prince of Wales, Vice Patron, The British Council, attends a meeting of the Board of the Council, 10 Spring Gardens, SW1, 10.05.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother visits HOTELYMPIA 1986, the International Hotel and Catering Exhibition, Olympia, 11.30.

Talks, lectures

Eighteenth-century upholstery fabrics, by Imogen Stewart, 12; and Ceramics II, by Gillian Darby, 1.15; Victoria & Albert Museum.

Back to the Beginning: Darwinism by Ernest Lucas, London Insitute for Contemporary Christianity, St Peter's Church, Vere Street, W1, 1.10.

Life in the Dark, by Joyce Pope, Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, 3.

Reynolds and Rembrandt, by Martin Postle, Goldsmiths' Theatre, London School of Hygience and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street (off Gower Street), WC1, 6.15.

The limitations of dentistry, by Dr. A. Sheiham, University College London, Chemistry Auditorium, Christopher Ingold Laboratories, Gordon St, WC1, 5.30.

Millicent Fawcett: constitutional suffragist, by Joyce Ansell, City Temple, Holborn Viaduct, EC1, 7.30.

Charles Gittins memorial lecture by David Hargreaves, Taliesin Centre for the Arts, University College of Swansea, 7.30.

Neagu, University College London, Darwin Theatre, Gower St, WC1, 1.20.

French and English 13th century manuscripts, by Penelope Wallis, The British Library, Seminar Room, Great Russell Street, WC1, 12.30.

German expressionism, by Anna Moszynska, Tate Gallery, Millbank, 1.

Computing, then and now, by John Stevenson, Science Museum, SW7, 1.

Concert by the London Sinfonietta, Queen Elizabeth Hall, 7.45.

Organ recital by Robert Jones, St Lawrence Jewry, 1.

Cello recital by Faye Clinton, Chichester Cathedral, 1.10.

Concert by Chris Barber's Jazz Band, South Hill Park, Bracknell, 8.

Concert by Salford College of Technology Brass Ensemble, Salford University (Peel Hall) 12.35.

Concert by City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, Birmingham Town Hall, 7.30.

Concert by Caroline Dale (cello) and Piers Lane (piano), Sam Newsom Music Centre, Boston, Lincs, 7.30.

Concert by Cambridge Baroque Soloists, Christ's College Chapel, Cambridge, 8.30.

Organ recital by Mark Shepherd, Bristol Cathedral, 1.15.

Concert by Ian Gardiner, Andrew Thomson and the George W. Welch Ensemble,British Music Information Centre, 10, Stratford Place, W1, 7.30.

Concert by Chantal Hughes,Elizabeth Robinson and Suat Choo Yeoh (piano), King's Hall, Newcastle, 1.10.

Concert by students from Royal College of Music, Southwark Cathedral,1.10.

Concert by Nigel Cliffe(baritone) and James Vickers (piano), St Martin-in the-Fields, 1.05.

John and Kathryn Lenehan piano recital, Foyer, Royal Festival Hall, 12.30.

Concert by the Philharmonia Orchestra, Royal Festival Hall, 7.30.

Concert by Tallis Chamber Choir and Philharmonia Orchestra, Queen Elizabeth Hall, 7.30.

Concert by London Symphony Orchestra, Barbican Concert Hall, 7.45.

General

The General Synod of the Church of England, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, 10 to 1; 2.30 to 7.

Ambit (the Poetry Society);readings at the National Poetry Centre, 21, Earls Court Square, SW5, 7.30.

Anniversaries

Births: Tadeusz Kosciuzko, Polish patriot, Mereczowszczyna, Poland (now in USSR), 1746; William Harrison Ainsworth, historical novelist, Manchester 1805; Fernand Léger, painter, Argentan, France, 1881; Ugo Betti, playwright, Camerino, Italy, 1892.

Parliament today

Commons: Housing and Planning Bill, second reading.
Lords: Prevention of Oil Pollution Bill, report stage; Local Government Bill, second reading; Outer Space Bill, second reading.

TV top ten

National top ten television programmes in the week ending 25TH JAN 86:

BBC 1
1 EastEnders (Thu/Sun) 21.60
2 EastEnders (Tue/Sun) 20.50
3 The Two Ronnies 13.45
4 Las and Dustins Laughter Show 13.30
5 Wogan (Fri) 13.15
6 The Good Life 13.15
7 Blankety Blank 13.05
8 News, Sport, Weather (Sat 21:05) 12.90
9 That's Life 12.90
10 Don't Wait Up 12.65

ITV
1 Coronation Street (Mon) Granada 17.60
2 Coronation Street (Wed) Granada 17.35
3 Wish You Were Here (Mon/Wed) Thames 15.35
4 Duty Free Yorkshire 14.20
5 Surprise, Surprise LWT 13.70
6 Bullseye Central 13.55
7 The Bill Thames 13.30
8 This Is Your Life Thames 13.20
9 The Price Is Right Central 13.10
10 Crossroads (Thu) Central 12.65

BBC 2
1 Forty Minutes 8.15
2 That Touch of Mink 6.75
3 Yes, Prime Minister 6.70
4 Grange Hill 6.15
5 M.A.S.H. 5.55
6 Food and Drink 5.15
7 Pot Black 86 5.10
8 Dead Head 4.85
9 Time After Time 4.10
10 The Bob Monkhouse Show / Star Trek 4.05

Channel 4
1 Brookside (Tue/Sat) 6.00
2 Brookside (Mon/Sat) 5.40
3 Comic Strip Presents... Dirty Movie 5.25
4 Treasure Hunt 5.00
5 Raggedy Man 4.10
6 Superbowl XX 3.55
7 In The Realm of the Shark 3.50
8 Countdown (Wed) 3.40
9 Ill Fares The Land 3.40
10 Countdown (Thu) 3.30

Breakfast television: The average weekly figures for audiences at peak times (with figures in parenthesis showing the reach - the number of people who viewed for at least three minutes):
BBC1: *Breakfast Time*: Mon to Fri 1.3 (7.1)
TV-am: *Good Morning Britain* Mon to Fri 2.1 (9.6) Sat 2.6 (6.2)
Sun 1.7 (12.2)

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Tower Bridge

Tower Bridge will be lifted today at approximately 9.15am.

Roads

Wales and West: M4: Delays between junctions 22 and 23 (Chepstow and Magor); eastbound hard shoulder closed and outside lane westbound closed. M5: Only outside lane in use northbound at junction 25 (Taunton), reconstruction work. A381: Temporary traffic lights in Totnes, Devon, at junction with B381 Plymouth road.

The North: M61 Blacow Bridge (junction M61/M6): Construction of new motorway link on M67! at Walton summit; left hand lane closure on both N and southbound carriageways. M18: Full closure of Doncaster to Sheffield link road, S Yorkshire; diversion due to work on Morthen Hall Bridge.

Scotland: M74: Northbound carriageway closed N of access to Blackwood; contraflow on southbound. A832: Road closed at Little Gruinard, E of Laide, off peak hours for improvements; lengthy diversions. A73: Single line traffic and traffic lights on Bellside Bridge, N of Newmains; various lane closures.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.06	1.94
Austria Sch	24.25	23.05
Belgium Fr	71.40	67.80
Canada $	2.065	1.975
Denmark Kr	12.79	12.09
Finland Mkk	7.81	7.41
France Fr	10.53	10.04
Germany Dm	3.46	3.28
Greece Dr	253.00	223.00
Hong Kong $	11.15	10.65
Ireland Pt	1.15	1.09
Italy Lire	2395.00	2265.00
Japan Yen	277.00	263.00
Netherlands Gld	3.895	3.705
Norway Kr	10.78	10.23
Portugal Esc	223.00	212.00
South Africa Rd	3.50	3.25
Spain Pta	215.50	203.50
Sweden Kr	10.85	10.30
Switzerland Fr	2.93	2.76
USA $	1.455	1.385
Yugoslavia Dnr	500.00	500.00

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Retail Price Index: 378.9

London: The *FT* Index closed down 5.7 at 1155.3.

Snow Reports

	Depth (cm) L	U	Piste	Conditions Off Piste	Runs to resort	Weather (5pm) °C
AUSTRIA						
Igls	25	75	good	heavy	worn	sun 3
New snow needed						
St Anton	110	310	good	varied	good	fine -10
Good skiing on all pistes						
Seefeld	90	140	good	varied	good	fine 3
Firm base, good skiing						
FRANCE						
Isola 2000	155	200	good	powder	good	cloud -9
Excellent snow on all runs						
La Plagne	165	180	good	powder	good	sun 0
Excellent skiing						
Megeve	110	190	good	powder	good	fair 2
Powder on good base						
Morzine	75	190	good	powder	good	fair 2
Excellent conditions						
SWITZERLAND						
Andermatt	100	220	good	varied	good	fair 2
Good snow on all pistes						
Grindelwald	80	130	good	powder	good	fine -1
Good in all areas						
Murren	100	150	good	powder	good	fair -1
Superb skiing, all runs open						
Villars	60	165	good	crust	good	fine 1
Pistes firm, off piste crust						
Zermatt	150	250	powder	powder	good	cloud 1
All runs closed due to too much snow						
ITALY						
Courmayeur	100	150	good	good	good	snow 1
Good skiing on piste						

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial. These denote Sats figures.

Weather forecast

A very cold E airstream will persist

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW, NW England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands, Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Mainly dry, a few snow flurries; winds E or N E moderate or fresh; max temp 2C (36F).

E, central N, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands: Rather cloudy, occasional light sleet or snow; wind E fresh; max temp 2C (36F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland, Northern Ireland: Isolated sleet or snow showers, some sunny intervals; wind E moderate; max temp 3C (37F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Staying very cold, perhaps snow in southern and central areas on Thursday.

Sun Rises: 7.35 am Sun Sets: 4.55 pm
Moon rises 4.06 am Moon sets 11.26 am
New moon : February 9

Lighting-up time

London 5.25 pm to 7.03 am
Bristol 5.35 pm to 7.18 am
Edinburgh 5.22 pm to 7.30 am
Manchester 5.27 pm to 7.18 am
Penzance 5.51 pm to 7.21 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	4	39	Guernsey	c	4	39
B'ngham	d	2	36	Inverness	c	2	36
Blackpool	r	3	37	Jersey	c	4	39
Bristol	d	3	37	London	c	3	37
Cardiff	c	2	36	M'chester	d	4	39
Edinburgh	r	3	37	Newcastle	r	3	37
Glasgow	r	3	37	N'ridaeway	c	4	39

Times world-wide

Noon in London is: 7 am in New York; 4 am in San Francisco, 9 pm in Tokyo; 11 pm in Canberra, 2 pm in Johannesburg; 4 pm in United Arab Emirates; 3 pm in Kenya; 1 pm in Nigeria; 3 pm in Moscow; 8 pm in Hong Kong.

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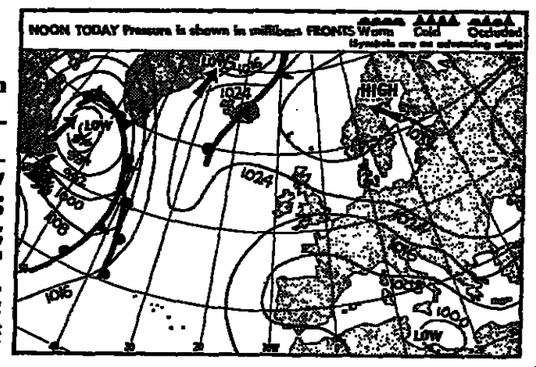
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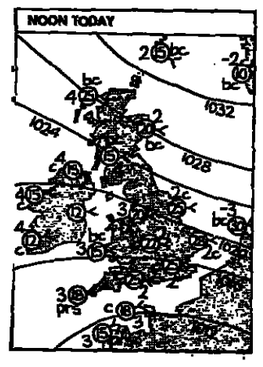
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b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; b-showers.
Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	8.33	6.1	9.31	6.0
Aberdeen	8.50	3.4	9.19	3.6
Avonmouth	1.52	10.3	2.32	10.4
Belfast	6.17	2.9	7.00	3.1
Cardiff	1.37	9.6	2.17	9.7
Devonport	12.08	4.5	12.48	4.5
Dover	5.53	5.6	6.38	5.3
Falmouth			12.18	4.3
Glasgow	7.31	4.2	8.01	4.5
Harwich	6.36	3.2	7.32	3.0
Holyhead	5.33	4.5	6.10	4.7
Hull	12.45	6.4	1.41	6.0
Ilfracombe	12.34	7.2	1.14	7.2
Leith	9.54	4.6	10.31	4.8
Liverpool	8.15	7.6	8.53	7.7
Lowestoft	4.16	2.2	5.20	2.0
Margate	6.41	4.2	7.35	4.0
Milford Haven	12.57	5.5	1.37	5.6
Newquay			12.37	5.6
Oban	12.46	3.0	1.37	3.0
Penzance			12.05	4.5
Portland	1.14	1.4	1.58	1.4
Portsmouth	6.28	4.0	7.14	3.8
Sheerness	6.03	5.1	6.52	5.0
Southampton	6.02	4.0	6.48	3.8
Swansea	1.09	7.5	1.47	7.5
Tees	11.52	4.3	11.56	4.5
Wilton-on-Nze	6.27	3.6	7.20	3.4

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.280ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	-	.57	3	37	drizzle
Bridlington	-	.61	3	37	rain
Cromer	-	.31	3	37	drizzle
Lowestoft	-	.12	3	37	sl pm
Clacton	-	.18	4	39	sl pm
Margate	-	.14	5	41	rain pm
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	-	.15	5	41	driz pm
Hastings	-	.15	5	41	driz pm
Eastbourne	-	.08	6	43	driz pm
Brighton	-	.10	4	39	dull
Worthing	-	.04	5	41	cloudy
Littlehampton	-	.03	5	41	cloudy
Bognor R	-	.02	5	41	drizzle
Selsea	-	.01	5	41	cloudy
Sandown	-	-	5	41	dull
Shanklin	-	.02	5	41	cloudy
Bournemth	-	.02	4	39	drizzle
Poole	-	.02	5	41	drizzle
Swanage	-	.02	5	41	drizzle
Weymouth	-	.01	4	39	dull
Exmouth	-	-	4	39	dull
Teignmouth	-	.01	4	39	dull
Torquay	-	-	4	39	dull
Falmouth	-	-	5	41	cloudy
Penzance	-	-	6	43	dull
Jersey	1.7	.12	6	43	cloudy
Guernsey	-	.12	7	45	cloudy
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	-	-	6	43	cloudy
Newquay	0.1	-	6	43	cloudy

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Ilfracombe	-	-	-	-	-
Tenby	0.5	-	5	41	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	-	.21	5	41	dully
Morecambe	-	-	5	41	dull
Douglas	-	-	4	39	cloudpm
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	-	.11	4	39	drizzle
B'ham Airpt	-	.13	2	36	sl am
Bristol (City)	-	.06	3	37	drizzle
Cardiff (Cstl)	-	-	3	37	cloudy
Anglesey	0.5	.10	5	41	rain
S'pool Airpt	-	-	5	41	rain pm
Manchester	-	.10	3	37	rain
Nottingham	-	.62	1	34	snow
N'cstl-a-Tyne	-	.11	3	37	rain
Carlisle	-	-	4	39	drzz am
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	-	.01	1	34	snow
Prestwick	-	-	3	37	drzz pm
Glasgow	-	-	3	37	cloudy
Tiree	0.4	-	5	41	cloudy
Stornoway	-	-	6	43	cloudy
Lerwick	-	-	4	39	cloudy
Wick	-	.02	5	41	showers
Kinloss	-	.01	4	39	drizzle
Aberdeen	-	.01	3	37	snow
St. Andrews	-	-	4	39	snow an
Edinburgh	-	-	2	36	sleet
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	-	-	3	37	sleet

Denotes Sunday's figures

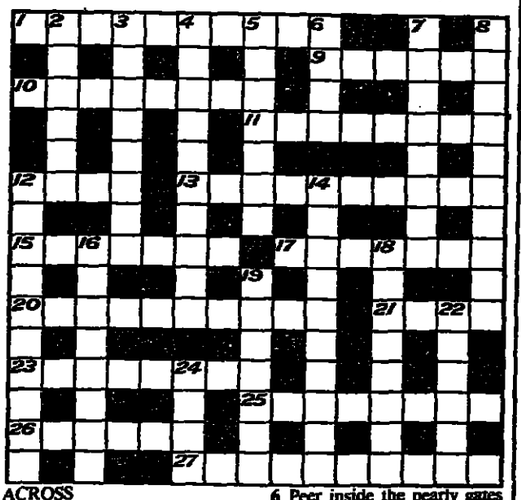
Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Ajaccio	s	13	55	Cologne	c	2	36	Majorca	f	12	54	Rome	f	13	55
Alicante	s	18	64	C'penhgn	s	2	36	Malaga	f	13	55	Salzburg	s	3	37
Algeciras	c	19	64	Corfu	f	13	55	Malta	s	15	59	S Paulo*	r	19	66
Algiers	c	12	54	Dublin	c	4	39	Madr'ras	s	19	66	S P'rtaco*	r	14	57
Amst'dam	c	1	30	Dubrovnik	c	10	50	Mexico C*	f	18	64	Santiago*	s	28	79
Athens	s	11	52	Faro	s	13	55	Miami*	s	24	75	Seoul	s	-7	19
Bahrain*	s	17	63	Florence	f	11	52	Milan	c	5	41	Singapore	s	30	86
Barbados	f	27	81	Frankfurt	c	2	36	Montreal*	s	-7	19	Stockhm	s	-5	23
Barcelona	f	21	54	Funchal	s	15	59	Moscow	c	-14	7	Strasb'rg	c	1	34
Beirut				Geneva	c	1	34	Munich	c	0	32	Sydney	c	21	70
Belgrade	c	0	32	Gibraltar	f	13	55	Nairobi	f	29	84	Tangier	f	13	55
Berlin	s	-3	27	Helsinki	f	-12	10	Naples	f	13	55	Tel Aviv	c	24	75
Bermuda*	c	19	66	Hong K	c	17	63	New Delhi	s	20	68	Tenerife	f	18	64
Biarritz	f	8	46	Innsbruck	s	4	39	N York*	f	9	48	Toronto*	s	13	55
Bologne	c	1	34	Istanbul	sn	1	34	Nice	c	11	52	Tokyo	s	13	55
Bordeaux	c	5	41	Jeddah	s	28	82	Oslo	f	-4	25	Toronto*	s	-3	27
Brussels	c	1	34	Jo'burg*	t	22	72	Paris	c	4	39	Tunis	s	17	63
Budapest	sn	-2	28	Karachi	s	23	73	Peking	s	0	32	Valencia	s	12	54
B Aires*	f	28	82	L Palmas	f	17	63	Perth	s	33	91	Vanc'ver*	f	5	41
Cairo	c	23	73	Lisbon	c	11	52	Prague	c	-1	30	Venice	c	5	41
Cape Tn	s	30	86	Locarno	fg	3	37	Reykjavik	r	0	32	Vienna	sn	-2	28
C'blanca	r	13	55	Luxembg	c	1	34	Rhodes	s	15	59	Warsaw	s	-6	21
Chicago*	c	2	36	L Angels*	c	14	57	Riyadh	s	18	64	Wash'ton*	s	19	66
Ch'church*	c	19	66	Madrid	c	5	41	Rio de J	c	24	75	Zurich	c	0	32

* denotes Sunday's figures are latest available

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ACROSS
1 Old instrument taken to bits - hold one piece (10).
9 Stick notice in this position (6).
10 Sound instruction from this dotty superior (8).
11 Mount for man with polio, perhaps (8).
12 Mountain of no return for beast of burden (4).
13 Frightful woman novelist gets put on the board (10).
15 High structure is record in steel fabrication (7).
17 Stiff, with legs extended (7).
20 What Rackstraw, in spite of all temptations, remained (10).
21 Fine island, jolly compact (4).
23 Cow is completely in the quagmire (8).
25 Bored, we hear, with French silent pictures (8).
26 Was this a factor in ancient tragedy too? (6).
27 Striker kicks bent terminals (6-4).

DOWN
2 Steady workers holding tool (6).
3 Tap a growth area? (8).
4 American city makes arrangement to sell one gas (3,7).
5 Be responsible for burning high church taper (7).
6 Peer inside the pearly gates (4).
7 Use a chopper here - a plane's too cumbersome (8).
8 This letter may be unsigned, it should be remembered (10).
12 Place where the natives are, in the main, cultivated (6-4).
14 Pretended to be less in fashion (10).
16 One Provost of Elton's solution was to make this device unnecessary (3-5).
18 Kind of insurance ring supports emergency flotation (8).
19 Hazel's hanger-on (7).
22 Note - electrical safeguard is rejected as worthless (6).
24 Rubbish can be shot here (4).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,959

S	T	R	I	P	E	A	S	H	O	L	E			
T	O	R	M	E	N	T	O	R	S		V		R	V
A	D	I	P	O	S	E		O	P	E	R	A	T	E
L	S		S	E		N		N			R			R
E	N	T	R	E	A	T	I	E	S		S	T	A	Y
M	E		C		C		K		U					
A	G	R	O	U	N	D		F	E	E	D	E	R	
H		T	E		G		C		E					
E	L	E	M	E	N	T		P	L	U	M	M	E	T
		A	S	E			P		A		O			
N	U	R	S	E		M	A	G	E	D	O	O	M	
A	N		G		O		R		E		A			
D	A	V	E		R	A	G	E		M	E	A	L	
C	S	L		N		A		T		R		E		
E	S	T	I	M	A	T	E		R	E	W	A	R	D

The solution to the Collins Competition Qualifier Puzzle 16951 will now appear tomorrow.



